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SCHEMES OF THE BOURBONS

THE CONSPIRACY TO UNSEAT SENATOR KELLOGG.

A REVOLUTIONARY PROCEEDING AND A BREACH OF FAITH—THE AGREEMENT BY WHICH BUTLER AND KELLOGG WERE SEATED CLEARLY PROVED BY THE "RECORD."

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The action of the majority of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections in determining to report a resolution to unseat Senator Kellogg is not only an attempt to reopen a case already adjudicated by the Senate, but is a violation of an informal agreement made by the Democrats and Republicans by which M. C. Butler, of South Carolina, was admitted. At the first session of the Forty-fifth Congress there was a protracted and exciting contest over the admission of Kellogg, from Louisiana, and Butler, from South Carolina. The Republicans were in the majority, but as it was known that Messrs. Patterson and Conover would vote with the Democrats to seat Butler, the two contested cases were finally disposed of through an agreement between the parties on the night of Nov. 30, 1877, and both Kellogg and Butler were admitted. There was, however, this difference between the action of the Senate in the respective cases: Kellogg was admitted on the merits of his case, and Butler was admitted without any declaration of opinion whatever on the part of the Senate. The record does not show that a formal agreement was made between the two political parties, yet it contains sufficient to show that there was an agreement, and it is well known that by reason of that agreement the admission of Kellogg and Butler was believed to be final and beyond further controversy.

In order that the public may understand the revolutionary character of the proposition to turn Kellogg out, as well as the great difference between the action of the Senate on Kellogg's case and that of Butler, the following facts are taken from the *Congressional Record*: Kellogg was admitted in pursuance of the following resolution:

Resolved, That William Pitt Kellogg is, upon the merits of the case, lawfully entitled to a seat in the Senate of the United States from the State of Louisiana, for the term of six years, commencing on the 4th day of March, 1877, and that he be admitted thereto upon taking the proper oath.

Pending the consideration of this resolution, after midnight of Nov. 30, an agreement was reached by which the Senate was brought to a vote. This agreement was proposed by Mr. Edmunds, who said in presenting it:

"I take the liberty to suggest once more the possibility of our coming to an understanding as to taking a vote upon these questions, and I ask that unanimous consent be given in the usual manner, that the order shall bind as an agreement, but the understanding of Senators does. I ask unanimous consent to come to this understanding among Senators: First, to vote on the Kellogg-Spofford case at or before 2:30 A. M. to-day. Second, to vote on the Butler-Conover case at or before Saturday evening of next week after the Kellogg-Spofford case is disposed of."

In reply to this Mr. Thurman said:

"I hope the proposition will be agreed to, and I ask my friends on this side of the chamber to assent to it, and to trust to me that it will result in an arrangement perfectly honorable and fair to both parties."

The language above quoted clearly shows that there was an agreement entered into by Messrs. Edmunds and Thurman, in reference to the admission of Kellogg and Butler, and that this agreement was indorsed by the respective parties which the two principals represented. A vote was taken upon the resolution as above quoted to admit Kellogg, and the result was: Yeas 30, nays 28. Upon the announcement of the result, Mr. Thurman rose in his place and said:

"I move that M. C. Butler, of South Carolina, be sworn in as Senator from that State."

Upon this bare motion, without any declaration as to the merits of Butler's case, and without any report from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, in whose charge the case was up to that time, Mr. Butler was admitted by a vote of 29 to 28, Messrs. Conover and Patterson, Republicans, voting with the Democrats.

It should be stated that the resolution upon which Kellogg was first seated was the same resolution which the Committee on Privileges and Elections had previously reported to the Senate after a patient and thorough investigation of the case. Kellogg and Butler were immediately sworn in after the vote had been taken on Butler's case.

In the second session of the Forty-fifth Congress Mr. Corbin, who was the contestant against Mr. Butler, filed a memorial to have his claims to a seat in the Senate from South Carolina inquired into, alleging, what was a fact, that the case of M. C. Butler had never been adjudicated on its merits by the Senate. When this matter was taken up by the Senate the Democrats made a great outcry against it, and argued that it was in violation of the agreement between the two parties when Kellogg and Butler were admitted. Messrs. Conover and Patterson were especially importuned to stand by their former vote for Butler's admission, and recognizing the force of this appeal, the Senate refused to consider Mr. Corbin's memorial. Messrs. Chaffee, Don Cameron, Conover, Mattheson and Patterson voted with the Democrats against Corbin's claims, and several other Republican Senators declined to vote. These are the facts, as shown by the *Record*, touching the admission of Kellogg to the seat he now occupies in the Senate. It will be noticed that he is not only in the Senate by virtue of the credentials which he presented, but by virtue of a solemn vote of the Senate itself, which declared in terms that he was "upon the merits of the case, lawfully entitled to a seat in the Senate of the United States from the State of Louisiana." In the face of this record it is hardly reasonable to suppose that any of the fair-minded Democratic Senators can vote to turn Mr. Kellogg out.

DEBATING THE DEFICIENCY BILL.

THE PRINTING-OFFICE AMENDMENT RULED OUT—A LARGE PENSION APPROPRIATION.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The entire day was spent by the House in the further consideration of the Deficiency bill without reaching a final vote. After two hours' discussion, the bill was considered by sections, and when the section was reached to which the Democrats had proposed an amendment virtually transferring the management of the Government Printing-office to the Democratic Party, points of order were raised, touching the relevancy of the amendment, and it was ruled out by Mr. Carlisle, the Chairman, as not being germane. This decision of the Chairman crossed considerable scrutiny on the Democratic side, and the Bourbon element is considerably disgusted over the misearriage of their political scheme. Had a vote been reached on the proposed amendment, it is quite certain that it would have been defeated, as a large number of Democrats, including Speaker Randall, were decidedly opposed to it. An amendment to appropriate nearly $7,000,000 to pay pensions, including those of the war of 1812 and the war with Mexico, was offered, to which Mr. Reagan proposed a further amendment, which, in effect, would repeal section 4,716, Revised Statutes. That section provides that "No money on account of pensions shall be paid to any person, or to the widow, children, or heirs of any deceased person who in any manner voluntarily adhered to, aided or abetted the late rebellion against the authority of the United States." Numerous efforts have been made at various times to repeal this section, but always without success. The only objection urged to the law is that it unjustly deprives the pensioner who served in the war of 1812 and the war with Mexico, and who in any way gave aid or support to the rebellion. Votes on orders was taken against the admissibility of Mr. Reagan's amendment. After a brief discussion the Chairman announced that he would prefer time for consideration before deciding the point, and the committee therefore rose and the House adjourned.

JOHN M. PALMER'S AMBITION.

HE WANTS TO BE THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT AGAINST GEN. GRANT.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 17.—The John M. Palmer Club held a public meeting to-night at the Court-house, which was crowded with citizens of Springfield, irrespective of party, and those Democrats from abroad now in the city. Ex-Gov. John M. Palmer delivered an address, in which he accepted the position of candidate for the Democratic nomination for President. He said he did not disparage or antagonize any of the great men mentioned for the position, and would pledge the support of the club and Democracy of Sangamon and Illinois in support of the Democratic nominee, whoever he may be. He said:

"We will labor with the most earnest effort to make the union of the States perpetual, the Constitution and laws supreme, and the rights and liberties of every human being within the limits of the Union secure under their benign rule. I do not say, and would be inexpressibly sad if I believed, the Democrats alone are attached to principles of republican liberty, but I am compelled to declare that the great body of the Republican Party are so blinded by prejudices engendered by the civil war, and persistently kept alive by their leaders, that they do not see that while they are aiding to subject the country to the despotic will of a reckless political majority, they are subverting the liberties of all. It was palpable, in 1872, that Gen. Grant was unequal as well as indifferent to the civil duties of the chief magistracy. It was then foreseen by thoughtful men, that if he were re-elected, his second term would be characterized by corruption and prodigacy. The Republican Party was invited by Greeley, and Sumner, and Schurz, and others who were among the founders of the party, to resist Grantism, which was then as now, a well-defined and dangerous element in American politics. It refused to oppose Grant, and he was re-elected, and his second Administration affords abundant material for chapters disgraceful to the American character. If I had the selection of the Republican candidate for the Presidency I would choose Gen. Grant."

He alluded to Blaine, Washburne, and Secretary Sherman in terms of reproach for alleged delinquencies in various respects as citizens. He referred to the doctrine of State sovereignty as the bulwark of the nation, and concluded as follows:

"But while we contend for the maintenance of the rights and powers of States, we must not forget that the Government created by the Constitution of the United States was established by our fathers in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to the American people forever. The objects of the Government are national, and it was designed to effectuate national ends alone. The Government, its powers rightly understood, ought not to be, and if not, an object of jealousy to the Democratic party. In my judgment the contest of 1880 is not less important than that of 1860, and I may be permitted, in the presence of this club, to say that as in 1860 and the subsequent years of our great national struggle in resistance to secession, I gave my best efforts to the cause of Federal unity. I am now prepared to unite with the great Democratic party, and exert myself with equal energy, and no less zeal, to support the rights of the people to the blessings of regulated constitutional liberty."

TILDEN IN PENNSYLVANIA.

A STRONG FEELING AGAINST HIS CANDIDACY SHOWING ITSELF.

PITTSBURG, Penn., March 17.—The Democratic State Central Committee will meet in this city to-morrow, to decide upon a time and place for the State Convention. This is the home of the Barrs, one of whom is chief proprietor of the *Post*, and another, D. O. Barr, is the lately defeated candidate for State Treasurer. They hate Wallace and love Tilden and Randall. Additional interest is given to the contest by the fact that Fayette County, a Democratic stronghold, counted sure for Tilden, at its County Convention on Tuesday sent an anti-Tilden delegation to the State Convention by a large majority. This evidence of an anti-Tilden tide in Western Pennsylvania has highly elated his enemies, and correspondingly depressed his friends. It is generally conceded that the virulent and unceasing attacks of the *Post* on Wallace were largely instrumental in bringing about this change of feeling.

The committeemen are somewhat slow in coming to-night, but the late trains and the early trains to-morrow morning, it is thought, will bring delegations from all parts of the State. Several of the leading representatives, chiefly from the rural districts, are here, however. Their sentiment is decidedly opposed to Tilden on the Presidential question, one of them forcibly putting the case by saying, "We want a man who has a show for being alive on the 4th of March." They were very reticent as to a choice outside of their opposition to Tilden. The Tilden men wanted the convention held in Pittsburg, and the other side preferred Harrisburg. The Tilden men to-night have come down to the extent of saying that they have no preference, and Harrisburg will suit them. The other side thinks that is a confession of defeat. The general impression is that the convention will be called for the middle of May. There was a talk a few weeks ago among the Tilden men of introducing a resolution denouncing Wallace's course on the Superviserships. The Wallace men say they dare any one to offer such a resolution; it is likely nobody will accept the challenge.

SHERMAN'S HASTY FRIENDS.

THE SLIM BASIS FOR THE ASSERTION THAT OHIO'S SUPPORT WAS PROMISED.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 17.—The Sherman heroes at Washington caused to be telegraphed, last night, the astounding information that the Secretary had received a letter from the Hon. A. L. Conger, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, assuring Secretary Sherman of his hearty support and the Ohio delegation at the Chicago Convention. Investigation into the subject develops the following facts, and shows the eagerness displayed by the Sherman managers to misrepresent public sentiment:

Chairman Conger did address a personal letter to Secretary Sherman, assuring him that he had not and would not use his official position against the Secretary, or to promote the candidacy of his opponents in the Presidential race. It was on the strength of this portion of the letter that the Sherman Club in Washington based its statement that Mr. Conger had declared his preference for Mr. Sherman. Every well-informed man who has conversed with Mr. Conger is aware that he personally favors Senator Blaine, and it is also known that Mr. Conger has served notice on one of the principal hotels in Chicago for the head-quarters of the Blaine delegation from Ohio to the National Convention. The vigor shown by Secretary Sherman's friends in their efforts to manufacture public sentiment in favor of their candidate by misrepresentation of facts has already attracted much attention throughout the State.

THE MICHIGAN GREENBACKERS.

DETROIT, March 17.—The State Greenback Convention assembled here to-day, the delegate numbering about 200. The following delegates to the National Convention were chosen: H. S. Roach, of Grand Rapids; M. W. Field, of Dagsett; Wilber Clute, of St. Joseph County, and Hebbard Taylor, of Bay City.

THE STAR ROUTE DEFICIT

PASSAGE OF THE APPROPRIATION BILL BY THE SENATE.

THE PREAMBLE STRICKEN OUT AND AN ADDITIONAL SECTION ADDED — SENATORS WHO DID NOT WISH TO CENSURE THE DEPARTMENT—A PRINTING-OFFICE APPROPRIATION VOTED.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The debate in the Senate upon the star route deficiency ended to-day with the passage of the bill with some modifications. The House bill forbade any further expediting of service during the remainder of the current fiscal year, and the Senate committee had amended it by also prohibiting any increase in the number of trips. This amendment was rejected by a vote of 26 to 22, those who opposed it holding that it would be unjust to restrain the natural development of the service in the West simply because fault had been found with the methods pursued by the department in relation to a few routes. The vote showed a division upon sectional rather than party lines. Most of the Senators from the South-west opposed the amendment, and Senators Davis, of Illinois, Edmunds, Hamlin, and Morrill were among those who supported the committee. The amendment which forbids the Postmaster-General to expedite the service under any contract to a rate of pay exceeding 50 per cent upon the original contract price was passed without a division. The committee then proposed an amendment appropriating $50,000 for the Public Printer, in order that his needs might be temporarily supplied until the deficiency bill for his benefit should be passed in the House. This amendment was passed without difficulty.

The real struggle of the day occurred upon the question whether the department should be censured for violating the law. The committee, seeing that the reported preamble could not be passed, withdrew it, and proposed in its place an additional section, to the effect that the act should not be construed as a ratification of any unlawful act or omission of any officer or affect any proceedings which might arise out of the investigation now going on in the House. The adoption of this section was opposed by Mr. Ingalls, Mr. Teller, Mr. Kirkwood, and Mr. Blaine. Mr. Beck declared that he knew the department had violated the law, and been guilty of bad administration within the limits of the law, but he desired to avoid prejudging the case, and to leave the question of fraud entirely open for investigation in the House. He wanted it distinctly understood that in answering the demands of the department the Senate did not approve of the methods by which the necessity for those demands had been created. Mr. Kirkwood moved to amend by striking out the word "unlawful," and inserting the words "or condemnation" after the word "ratification," in order that the section might express no opinion for or against the department. Upon this the yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote which was taken proved to be the only one by which the exact position of each Senator upon the question of censure could be ascertained. The Kirkwood amendment was lost by a vote of 28 to 34. Mr. Conkling, Mr. Edmunds, and Mr. David Davis voted with the Democrats against it, and Mr. Garland, Mr. Maxey, and Mr. Wheto with the Republicans in its support. The Senate in this way refused to destroy the force of a passage in the bill by which censure might be implied. Mr. Teller declared that the Senate ought to be ashamed of its action, and that he would see the star service stricken down before he would assist in the condemnation of the department. It was child's play, in his opinion. Mr. Edmunds said he was in favor of child's play of that kind. Every executive department should obey the law, and the reforms which the gentlemen with white neck-clothes longed for could not begin until the departments were taught to keep within the law. Mr. Conkling said he did not object to the committee's amendment, but to meet the views of some other Senators he would move to substitute for it a section to the effect that the act should not be construed to affect the validity or legality of the acts or omissions of any officer of the Government, or to affect any proceedings in relation thereto which might arise. He was acquainted with many prominent and intelligent persons to whom the revelations concerning the star service seemed unwholesome. Mr. Conkling's substitute was passed by a large majority without a division, and immediately afterward the bill as amended was passed in a similar manner. Before adjournment the Senate agreed to take up the Hot Springs bill to-morrow, and after it has been disposed of Mr. Thurman will urge the Geneva Award bill.

THE OPPRESSION OF THE BLACKS.

A FORMER DEMOCRAT TESTIFIES TO INTIMIDATION AND OUTRAGE IN THE SOUTH.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Exodus Committee to-day began the examination of R. B. Avery, of Bay St. Louis, Miss., formerly editor of the *Sea Coast Republican*, and for several years special agent of the Southern Claims Commission. Mr. Avery went to Mississippi from Indiana in 1865, and has resided there since. In regard to the causes of the colored exodus, he testified that he thought it was owing to a general feeling of insecurity for life and property among the colored people of the South. Another thing that created a desire on the part of both sexes to leave, was the insecurity of colored women from immoral importunities from white men. This, he said, was frequently complained of by colored men, especially husbands and fathers. These, and various causes created a strong desire on the part of the colored race to emigrate. Give them, he said, the means to get away, and even if they know they will suffer for the necessaries of life, the exodus of the Jews out of Egypt will not compare with the exodus of the colored people from the South. He stated that white Republicans generally advised them to stay, because they believed the present condition of affairs would improve. Some Republicans think that, in time, State lines will be abrogated, so far, at least, that if a man's political rights are invaded or his life taken for exercising privileges guaranteed to him by the Constitution, and it is impossible to punish where the crime is committed, that the General Government will convoy the criminal (where he can be punished—taking him, if necessary, to California or Maine, where justice can be meted out to him for violating the national law.

The witness was asked how it was, in strong Republican localities, that the white minority managed to intimidate the negroes. His reply, in substance, was that if the negroes in one community attempt to retaliate for any individual grievance of one of their number, they have not only the white men in their own, but of other neighborhoods to contend with. Armed white men hasten from all directions to improve the effort. Referring to the material condition of the negroes in the southern part of Georgia, he maintained they were in a much worse condition now than before the war, when they were slaves. He had traveled through that section of the State, and had never before seen such evidences of squalor and poverty, although he had in his lifetime visited some of the poorest and most degraded portions of several large cities of the North.

Referring again to the subject of intimidation and outlawry, Mr. Avery read extracts from the New-Orleans Times, a Democratic paper, in which was reported the proceedings of a meeting of white citizens of Pike County, Miss., held in December, 1877. The object of the meeting was to take steps to prevent a continuance of the lawlessness which had prevailed in the south-western part of the State of Mississippi for some time. A preamble and resolutions were adopted denunciatory of this lawlessness, and a Vigilance Committee was appointed, to which all acts of outrage were to be referred. He produced and read an extract from another Democratic paper published in that section of the State, admitting that the outlawry existed, and stating that the county sheriff had declared that's inability to punish outlaws, for the reason that the Grand Jury could not obtain sufficient evidence to fasten guilt upon particular individuals; and the reason the Grand Jury could not obtain this evidence, the witness said, was because witnesses who were summoned dared not testify against the individuals engaged in these outrages. He read editorial extracts from the same Democratic papers, which stated in substance, after condemning outlawry in general terms, that there was no necessity for it now, as there might have been in former years, when it was necessary to rid the State of Republican rule.

The cross-examination of Mr. Avery by Mr. Voorhees brought out the fact that the witness was a Democrat before the war, and that from 1865 to 1869 he acted with the Democratic Party in Mississippi, and opposed negro suffrage. He said he was as much opposed to it to-day as then, but not from prejudice against the black race. He believed in a suffrage for both blacks and whites, North and South, limited by an educational qualification, which would not disfranchise such intelligent colored men as he had heard testify before the Exodus Committee.

Mr. Avery's examination will be continued to-morrow.

SENATOR VANCE'S QUEER BILL.

AN EFFORT TO FORCE THE NAVY DEPARTMENT TO USE PATENT CORDAGE.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Senator Vance, of North Carolina, desires to have rope and cordage, manufactured according to the patent process of a resident of Boston, used on the vessels of the United States Navy, and he reported from the Committee on Naval Affairs, several days ago, a bill directing the Secretary of the Navy to use this kind of rope in the service to such an extent as would show its value as compared with the kinds of rope now in use. But when the bill was taken up to-day, Mr. Conkling said he was unable to see why the Secretary should be commanded to make this test, inasmuch as he had full authority to test anything of the kind which should be brought to his notice if he chose to do so. Mr. Vance then admitted that the Secretary had refused to make the tests required by the bill, and, therefore, the bill had been introduced to compel him to reverse his decision. A motion to strike out the word "directing," and thus remove the compulsory feature of the bill, was defeated by a party vote. Mr. Conkling asked for the yeas and nays, and intimated that the Senate could waste time as easily upon bills of this kind as upon such investigations as Mr. Thurman had opposed when speaking upon Mr. Kellogg's resolution in regard to the Hill-Raymond scandal. If the bill should be passed every other man who had a patent process would try to force its use upon the departments by means of Congressional action. Before the yeas and nays could be called the morning hour expired.

RUFFIANS AT ANNAPOLIS.

TWO DEMOCRATIC FACTIONS AT ODDS—ONE MAN SHOT YESTERDAY.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 17.—The strength of the dominant wing of the Democrats in the Maryland Legislature this session lies in the country members, and it suits their purpose to reform many abuses in the administration of Baltimore City, in order to break the power of the opposite wing, whose strength they still fear. Bills are already on their passage, with every prospect of becoming law, taking the drawing of jurors out of the City Marshal's hands, breaking up the system by which the Marshal controls the political patronage of the liquor, gambling, and bawdy-house interests, and to enact stringent Sunday laws and other much-needed reforms. The bill which has particularly incensed the city Ring, however, is one making the keeping of a gambling-house punishable by long imprisonment, instead of, as now, raising a purse semi-annually and stepping up to the Marshal's office to settle. The bill is aimed directly at Doc. Slater, who has long been the power behind the throne in Baltimore Democratic politics. Ill-feeling has been increasing for several weeks and a crisis was reached to-day.

Gangs of ward rounders of both factions came here to-day from Baltimore, the one determined to punish all legislators who were actively working for these reforms and to defeat the gamblers' bill. Patrick and Jack Kernan and four others, armed with new revolvers, last night followed the Hon. I. Freeman Rasin many squares, for the purpose of a murderous assault, but were prevented by the presence of other members of the Legislature. Senators Blans and Cooper were sounded in like manner to-day. The two factions met in Main-street, and Patrick Kernan got into a quarrel with Michael Farrell. The fle was passed and a fight ensued, in which Kernan shot Farrell in the face, wounding him seriously. Several other fights occurred during the day. The excitement over the matter is intense, and it is believed that the trouble is only begun. To-day a bill was introduced punishing lobbying with not less than five years' imprisonment. The Republicans will vote for these reform measures, and it is expected they will all pass.

MURDERED BY A MOB.

ENTERING A JAIL AND SHOOTING A PRISONER CHARGED WITH KILLING A MAN.

WINCHESTER, Ill., March 17.—James Fields shot and killed, on Feb. 24, James Padgett, a man of much intelligence, a fine musician, and, when in his right mind, usually inoffensive. He had been addicted to drink, however, and his mental organs were so far upset that he had been once or twice an inmate of the asylum at Jacksonville. Before coming to this county he was a dealer in musical instruments in Jacksonville. J. J. Fields, the father of the assassin, and his brother for many years have been wealthy farmers, living near Browns, in the north-western part of this county. They own an immense tract of land, and are extensive dealers in stock. The ill-feeling between Padgett and Fields was of some months' duration. A few months ago Fields and Lewis Doyle became engaged in a quarrel with Padgett over some trifling matter, in which revolvers were drawn, but not used. Later the men met again, and weapons were once more threateningly exposed. On Christmas Day, during a party at Brown, Padgett was shot in the arm, and accused one of the Doyles of being his assailant. Since that time, while in liquor, Padgett, it is said, threatened Fields's and Doyle's life repeatedly. This is supposed to have occasioned the shooting.

Fields, who was a young man of fine appearance, about 20 years old, surrendered after the killing, and has been in jail here ever since. About 75 disguised men, fully armed, overpowered the guard about 2 o'clock this morning, and with revolvers pointed at the head of the jailer demanded the keys. Having obtained them, the mob entered Fields's cell and shot him 10 times, 3 pistol-balls penetrating his body, 3 his hand, 2 his arm, and 2 his abdomen. The murderers came with the determination to have Fields's life at all hazards, being supplied with picks, crowbars, sledge-hammers, and rifles.

ACCIDENTS TO VESSELS.

LONDON, March 17.—The Norwegian ship Herman Lehmkuhl, Capt. Troye, from New-York Jan. 19, for Anjier, put into Cape Town on March 16, leaky.

LITTLE EGG HARBOR, N. J., March 17.—The brig Frank, 114 tons, from Port au Prince, stranded near Station Twenty-one yesterday, will prove a total loss. She was new, being built in 1875, but is cradled so deep in the sand that, with her heavy cargo of logwood, her back has been broken. She will be stripped and sold.

TOM'S RIVER, N. J., March 17.—The schooner Five Sisters bound east from Hoover's Point, in ballast, is aground, with her head to the south. The sea is calm, and the wind north-westerly. The Coast Wrecking Company's steamer is on her way to the wreck. She will relieve the vessel of her cargo of sugar and molasses, when the schooner will probably be floated. She is about years old, 100 tons, belongs in Rockland, and is owned by Isaac Hopkins, Jr., and Thomas Hopkins, and these other persons of Boston. Her master died in Cape Ann, in Old Cranberry Inlet, he attempted to get Sunset Inlet when she struck the beach.

AFFAIRS IN FOREIGN LANDS

THE BRITISH ELECTORAL CONTEST.

MR. GLADSTONE STUMPING SCOTLAND—A LETTER FROM MR. PARNELL ON THE LAND QUESTION.

EDINBURGH, March 17.—Mr. Gladstone spoke here this afternoon in the Liberal interest, and the demand for tickets of admission to the hall were so great that offers of 5 and 6 guineas each were made for them. A list is published of 13 places where Mr. Gladstone is to speak between to-day and next Wednesday.

LONDON, March 17.—At a meeting of the National Land League, in Dublin, yesterday, a letter from Mr. Charles S. Parnell was read, dated Des Moines, Iowa, March 1, in which he says: "The general verdict of American opinion throughout the Union is overwhelmingly in favor of a radical change in the Irish land system. We shall leave behind us in America a permanent organization, in connection with the Land League, and prepared to support it, financially and morally, to any extent we may require, as such an awakening has come upon our exiled countrymen here as is impossible for those who have not witnessed it to imagine."

A Dublin correspondent says that the Right Hon. E. Dwyer Gray, Lord Mayor of Dublin, has declined to contest that city at the coming election for Members of Parliament, as he feared that his doing so might militate against the working of the Relief Committee and subscriptions to the fund.

It is rumored that the Duke of Connaught will succeed the Duke of Marlborough as Viceroy of Ireland.

LONDON, March 18.—The *Standard* is in position to state that the report that the Duke of Connaught will succeed the Duke of Marlborough as Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland is absolutely unfounded.

RUSSIA'S HOME AND FOREIGN FOES

THE FIRST SITTING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSION—THE TURCOMAN CAMPAIGN.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 17.—The first sitting of the Executive Commission was held to-day, Gen. Melikoff presiding. Prince Lieven, Minister of Domains; M. Makoff, Minister of the Interior; M. Batianoff, Chief of Police, and others were present. The Deputies from the Town Council will attend the next sitting.

The *Vedomosti* states that a census is being made of St. Petersburg, and all persons without fixed occupation or means of subsistence will be expelled from the city.

The *Golos* approves of Gen. Drenteln's resignation, and says experience has proved the impotence of a secret Police to destroy Nihilists.

LONDON, March 17.—A St. Petersburg correspondent says he hears it has been decided that Gen. Skobeleff shall lead an expedition on a limited scale against the Turcomans, without any idea of going to Merv. Some Generals consider it necessary to occupy Merv, because Turcoman marauders rendezvous there; but Gen. Skobeleff believes the Tekkes are now so confident of success that they will advance to meet the Russians and give an opportunity for their ample punishment; and the Russian Government is desirous of avoiding Merv, lest England should occupy Herat as a counter-stroke.

VIENNA, March 17.—Newspapers of this city state that Prince Orloff will depart on Saturday and does not contemplate returning except to present letters of recall. Since Monday Count Kapniist has acted as Russian Chargé d'Affaires. If Prince Orloff finally relinquishes the post, it will be more the result his own wish than the action of Russia. Even if he does not return to Paris, the absence of any Russian Ambassador must be regarded as merely temporary.

LONDON, March 18.—A St. Petersburg dispatch says the report that Gen. Melikoff wore a coat of mail when the attempt was made to assassinate him is false.

The Executive Commission will be divided into two parts—one to suppress revolution, and the other to inquire into the political condition of the Empire. This investigation will probably last several hours, and only when its labors are concluded will large changes be initiated.

The number of troops participating in the Turcoman campaign will be under 10,000, and for the present year their operations will be confined to establishing outposts, &c.

A Paris dispatch says Prince Orloff merely takes a long projected leave of absence, and will return to Paris very soon.

ITALY, FRANCE, AND THE POPE.

AN EXCITING SCENE IN THE ITALIAN PARLIAMENT—THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ASSAILED.

ROME, March 17.—During a speech in the Italian Chamber of Deputies last evening, Premier Cairoli, replying to strictures by Signor Visconti-Venosta and other members of the Right, inquired whether the Cabinet of that party displayed great political wisdom in 1870, when they announced that they would respect the convention with France guaranteeing the integrity of the Papal territory, only a few days before the force of events drove them into Rome. Signor Lanza, who was Premier when Rome was occupied, denied the his Government took that step unwillingly. A scene of wild confusion and uproar ensued. Furious attacks were handied between the Right and Left, drowning the voices of the speakers. The declarations of Signors Lanza, Sella, and Visconti-Venosta included some curious revelations regarding the Government's course toward France and the Pope, and respecting the September convention. Signor Crispi asserted that there were differences of opinion in Premier Lanza's Cabinet about occupying Rome. Signor Lanza denied this absolutely, but Signor Sella confirmed it, almost occasioning a quarrel between Signors Lanza and Sella. The meeting was one of the most sensational in the annals of the Italian Parliament.

Signor Sella has summoned a meeting of the members of the Right, to be held to-morrow, the 19th inst., to elect a leader in his stead, who is unfettered by his antecedents on the grist tax question.

EASTERN QUESTIONS.

THE GREEK BOUNDARY NEGOTIATIONS—AN AUSTRO-SERVIAN CONVENTION.

ATHENS, March 17.—In the Greek Chamber of Deputies, during a discussion on the Army estimates, the Minister of Foreign Affairs stated that, although the Greek frontier question might now be considered, in view of the proposed appointment of an international commission, as virtually settled, it would be necessary to maintain the Army at the present strength in order to have sufficient troops for the occupation of new territory.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 17.—The trial of the assassin who, on Feb. 29, fired the shot which subsequently resulted in the death of the Russian Col. Cameroff, in this city, was begun yesterday, and judgment in the case will probably be given today or to-morrow.

VIENNA, March 17.—The Austrian and Servian Commissioners have signed a convention regarding the railway junction, two points of the agreement concerning the Bulgarian junction and the tariff of tolls being reserved for the decision of the Servian Government.

LONDON, March 18.—Reuter's Constantinople telegram says it is stated that Russia has threatened to break off diplomatic relations with the Porte if the assassin of Col. Cameroff is not sentenced to death.

CURRENT FOREIGN TOPICS.

MONTEVIDEO, March 17.—The entire Uruguayan Ministry has resigned.

LONDON, March 17.—The Uruguayan Consul-General here has received the following telegram from Montevideo, dated March 15: "The resignation of Col. Latorre as President has been accepted. The House of Representatives has appointed Dr. Francisco Antonio Vidal Constitutional President of the Republic. Tranquillity prevails."

Stubbins's cotton mill, at Rossbottom, near Manchester, has been burned. The loss is $84,000. Nine hundred operatives are thrown out of employment.

MADRID, March 17.—The Marquis of Orovio, Minister of Finance, has resigned on the ground of ill-health, and it is reported that Señor Camayon will succeed him. It is reported that Señor Elduayen will soon take the portfolio of Foreign Affairs, and that Señor Sanchez Bustillo will succeed him as Minister of the Colonies.

VIENNA, March 17.—The lower house of the Reichsrath has passed, by a vote of 149 to 139, a credit for 20,000,000 florins in gold rentes, asked for by the Government for the expenses of the current year. The Minister of Finance suggested that the vote on the question of confidence be deferred until the budget is introduced.

PARIS, March 17.—A London correspondent says there will soon be a change in the chief editorship of the London Times.

BERLIN, March 17.—The Committee on the Army bill has approved the clause exempting the clergy from military drill, and finally adopted the whole bill by a vote of 33 to 3.

ALEXANDRIA, March 17.—In consequence of unfavorable weather a large quantity of cotton must be reserved, and the crop will be late.

MELITOPOL, March 15.—The Winter sowings of wheat in South Russia have suffered greatly from frost.

AN EX-SENATOR'S YOUNG WIFE.

THE UNHAPPY EXPERIENCE OF THE HON. ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY—A DIVORCE SUIT PROBABLE.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—A few years ago, while serving in the United States Senate, Isaac P. Christiancy married a young lady of about 20 years, who, at the time of the marriage, was employed in the Treasury Department. The great disparity in the years of the ancient bridegroom and blooming bride caused considerable comment to be made, and a short time thereafter rumors were circulated to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Christiancy did not live as happily together as newly-married people are generally supposed to live. Mr. Christiancy succeeded the late Zachariah Chandler in the United States Senate, and served in that body from March 4, 1875, to Feb. 20, 1879, when he resigned, and was succeeded by the late Mr. Chandler. It was announced at the time that his resignation was in consequence of impaired health, but those who professed to know something of his domestic affairs, attributed his resignation and his desire for diplomatic service to family troubles. When Mr. Christiancy went to Peru as American Minister, he left his young wife here, but she joined him at Lima, according to arrangement, a few weeks after his arrival at his post of duty. Recently, Mrs. Christiancy returned to the United States, in consequence, as was announced, of the war between Peru and Chili. According to the following paragraph, published in the Washington *Star* of to-day, it would seem that Mr. Christiancy will also return to the United States before a great while: "For some time past there have been rumors that the Hon. Isaac P. Christiancy, our Minister to Peru, was not perfectly happy in his family relations, and that the return from Lima of his young wife, formerly Miss Lorena Abel, an employe of the Treasury Department, was not altogether owing to the war between Chili and Peru, but that there was also a domestic war between man and wife, arising from incompatibility of temper and the disparity of their ages. Since her return here, some months since, she has resided in the neighborhood of Fourth and D streets, North-west, and recently the statement was published that she had been called to Maryland to be at the bedside of a sick relative. As she was known at the time of said publication to be in this city, this statement caused some conjecture among her acquaintances. It is now understood that Mr. Christiancy has recently been apprised of certain questionable acts on the part of his wife, and placing the matter in the hands of some of his intimate friends, they have reported to him that he has good and sufficient grounds for a divorce. It is probable that some such proceedings will be taken. It is stated that Mr. Christiancy will be in the city shortly to prosecute the case."

The attention of Mrs. Christiancy was to-night directed to the above publication. She indignantly denied its insinuations, and declared that its object was to forestall her own action in applying for a divorce. She said that Mr. Christiancy had been cruel in his conduct toward her, and upon one occasion struck her. He had frequently threatened her, and when she informed him that she would leave his house, he boasted of his wealth and political power, and said he would crush her. Mrs. Christiancy declared that she was subjected to cruel treatment within one month following the date of her marriage, and that this cruelty has been steadily continued ever since. She further said that she left Mr. Christiancy voluntarily, and denies that she has given him any cause for applying for a divorce.

MR. HILL'S FEMALE PURSUER.

MISS RAYMOND VISITS THE CAPITOL, AND MR. HILL LEAVES IN ORDER TO AVOID HER.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Miss Jessie Raymond, the young woman who alleges that Senator Hill, of Georgia, is the father of her child, was at the Capitol to-day, and created quite a sensation. Miss Raymond, a few days ago, threatened that if Mr. Hill did not soon do something to relieve her distress, she would go to the Senate Chamber and confront him publicly, in company with her child. In pursuance of this threat, Miss Raymond, a short time before the Senate adjourned to-day, made her appearance at the Capitol, and took a position at the stairway by which she expected Mr. Hill would emerge. In consequence, however, of the strict watch which Mr. Hill maintains over the movements of the woman, she was discovered by some of his friends, and information was conveyed to him of her presence. Mr. Hill's private secretary accosted Miss Raymond, remonstrated with her upon the folly of her conduct, and endeavored to persuade her to leave the Capitol. This she refused to do, and finally she was induced to enter one of the committee-rooms upon the promise that Mr. Hill would be brought to her. The Senator was promptly informed of Miss Raymond's whereabouts, and left the Capitol without seeing her. Upon learning that Mr. Hill had departed, Miss Raymond became very much excited, and threatened to come again with her infant to the Capitol and to continue her visits until she succeeded in meeting the Senator.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

The Town of Branchville, S. C., was fired in two places before daylight this morning. The Post Office, six stores, and one dwelling-house were destroyed. L. W. Lorryer's loss is $4,500, insured for $3,500 in the St. Paul. Mims, Merchants and Planters, and Robertson, Wm. D. Byrd's loss is $800; J. Kinlah's loss is $3,000, with no insurance; W. J. Sydney's loss is 700, insured in Lynchburg, Va., for $440; R. D. Mercer's loss is $1,000, with no insurance.

Tuquity has developed nothing definite regarding the origin of the fire on the steamer City of Sydney, on Sunday morning. The Government estimates the total loss on vessel and cargo at from $30,000 to $35,000. The cabin cabinetry was badly damaged by water.

The residence of H. Hotaling, at Weyauwega, N. Y., was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. The loss is $7,000; fully insured in Fulton insurance companies. The fire is supposed to have ta

present, then—and many would slide by this prompting, to draw out what they now have in.

"Another objection to the measure is the cruel way in which the State takes advantage of the poor people, by supervising power over the banks to compel the payment of this tax. Having a constant oversight over the banks' moneys, books, and general management, it uses this knowledge, acquired originally for the protection of the depositors, to force them to surrender a portion of their savings. Why is it to be remembered that savings banks are really benevolent institutions, that their growth and thriving represents the increasing honesty, thrift, and industry of the poorer classes, the cruelty and wickedness of such legislation becomes apparent. It is also dishonest, because it takes a portion of their earnings, those which are invested in bonds and mortgages on real estate, twice over. There are many millions of surplus upon which depositors must rely for security of their principal and interest, which would thus be subjected to double taxation. In another way the bill would work harm. At present the New-York savings banks hold large sums which have been attracted by investors in Pennsylvania, New-England, and elsewhere outside of the State, and which have been attracted by the superior permanence and safety of New-York investments. Much of this would be likely to be withdrawn, and if it were not, it would be taxed, in violation of the rule which exempts funds sent here from abroad for investment, and which has resulted in attracting much vast amount of foreign capital to New-York. To my mind, the whole series of attacks upon corporations and moneyed interests is nothing more than a mild species of Kearneyism, which, if carried out, would induce, in a degree, the same evils which have overtaken California."

Mr. Williams called attention to a clause in the report of the Commissioner of Taxes and Assessments of 1875, prepared by himself, in which the question of taxing savings banks' deposits of the poorer classes as personal property was discussed as follows: "It must be understood that the deposits in savings banks are exempt from taxation to the bank only, but are assessable as against the individual depositor. As a rule, however, each depositor has but a small sum, the rate of interest is low, and most of the depositors, many of them women, are persons in narrow circumstances, and against *this class no attempt has been made to enforce* the law. If a Board of Commissioners should ever be found who were disposed to be factious or mischievous social or financial disturbances of a very grave character might be produced by an attempt which the law would justify to tax the scanty savings of the poor depositors in savings banks." Concerning the bill for taxing insurance companies 2 per cent. on their gross earnings and surplus, Mr. Andrews said it would be better to wait and examine the text of the bill before passing judgment on it. From present appearances, however, it was another measure of the same class which aimed at piling the load of taxation on the corporate and moneyed interests of the Metropolis for the supposed benefit of the rural districts. This class of legislation proceeded from the same mistaken idea that the City was growing rich at the expense of the country, and that robbing savings bank depositors and intimidating and driving away capital from New-York would result in benefiting the country. He did not know what the fate of the Insurance bill would be, but he believed the one taxing savings banks would be killed, as it deserved to be. The only fair and impartial system of taxation, he admitted, of no evasion and was borne proportionately by all classes, from the man who rented a room to the one that owned a block, was the taxation of real estate.

Mr. William H. Macy, President of the Seamen's Bank for Savings, in Wall-street, said he had estimated that the law would take from the sum annually paid into the Treasury of the State annually the sum of about $900,000. This sum would be taken from the depositors of the banks of the State, and would, of course, diminish their dividends. So far as the contest of the Seamen's Bank was concerned, the proposed enactment would make no difference with the institution itself. They had a large surplus, and could pay the tax, which he regarded as enormous. The tax would, however, prevent the increase of their surplus, and would hinder the poor depositors. Younger banks, he thought, would be injured by the passage of such a law. It would certainly prove a heavy drain upon banks with a small surplus, and depositors would get no dividends. If savings banks were required to invest their deposits 10 per cent. short of and to pay a quarter of 1 per cent. tax on their deposits, making 3¼ per cent. besides their expenses, they could not pay any dividends. The collection of taxes was a very interesting subject, and as money was necessary for the support of the Government, it was a question as to which it would be most readily obtained, and most justly imposed. The Federal courts had decided that national banks could not be taxed, and the Government had thus been deprived of a good deal of revenue. While this bill would not discourage the savings bank business, it might still be a grave question as to its propriety. Certainly some of the savings institutions would find themselves in trouble. He could hardly believe that the Legislature could find it right and proper to impose this great burden on depositors, for all the expenses of government in this State, which must inevitably come out of the pockets of the depositors. They owned all the banks earned and were entitled to all the surplus over and above expenses.

At the Bowery Savings Bank, near Grand-street, it was the opinion of the officers that this measure was a very unjust and oppressive one on the depositors, upon whom the burden was sure to fall. One gentleman characterized it as an infamous outrage, calculated to produce mischief and cause an unequal discrimination between these banks and national banks.

The officers of the Bleecker-Street Bank for Savings pronounced the law unjust and oppressive, and calculated to deprive depositors of any dividends, besides discouraging their thrift and the disposition to save.

The report that the Joint Tax and Assessment Committee of the Legislature had agreed upon recommending a tax of probably 2 per cent. on the gross earnings and surplus of life insurance companies, came as an unpleasant surprise to the officers of those institutions in this City. Mr. Wm. Walander, Vice-President of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, said that he could hardly believe such important action would be taken by any legislative committee without consultation with the insurance men of the State. The enactment of the measure proposed into a law would, he thought, be fraught with serious consequences to the community, and result in imposing additional burdens upon a worthy class of prudent people who were endeavoring with slender savings to prepare for the contingencies of the future. Such a tax as the proposed would be onerous in the extreme, and tend directly to neutralize the benefits of life insurance on the mutual plan. This subject was too wide to be discussed in a few minutes, and involved far-reaching results which would immediately fall upon the people who were struggling to save a little money to provide for their families. It was a subject which at least demanded careful consideration by the Legislature, and ought not to be rushed forward with the precipitancy that characterized this measure. The effect would be to increase the rates of life insurance and diminish the profits of policy-holders. He regarded it as a matter of the last importance to the policy-holders. The raising of revenue for the support of the Government was a proper subject for legislation, but the framers of laws, in taxing corporations, should make a discrimination between those of a purely mercenary character, and those organized for semi-philanthropic and benevolent purposes. This measure would impose a direct tax on a class of people who for the most part possessed a meagre amount of this world's goods."

"How would such a law affect companies not mutual?"

"There are not more than two or three companies in the country," replied Mr. Alexander, "where the profits go to the stockholders. All the great companies divide their profits among the insured, and in levying taxes some discrimination also should be made between these two classes of corporations."

President Frederick S. Winston, of the Mutual Life, said: "Such a bill as the one proposed would, in my judgment, be an outrage. Our surplus belongs to our policy-holders, who are already liable to taxation on their policies. This company already pays over $350,000 in taxes on its real estate, and if such a bill became a law, $300,000 more would be taken out of the funds which we hold in trust for the depositors. Our surplus is at present $11,000,000, which would necessitate an annual tax of $220,000 on that item alone. The term 'earnings' does not properly apply to the income of a mutual life insurance company whose whole property belongs to its policy-holders. The measure proposed is ill-conceived, and is superseded by part of a series which are being introduced at Albany this Winter, with the view of striking at the corporate and moneyed institutions of this City in the supposed interest of the farmers." Mr. Winslow Further said he did not believe any bill of such character would pass.

THE IRISH RELIEF FUND.

WHAT THE MANSION HOUSE COMMITTEE IS DOING—CANADA'S GIFT.

DUBLIN, March 17.—The Mansion House Relief Committee announce having received the sum of £355 from the New-York Relief Committee, 600 francs from the French Relief Committee, £338 from Oxford University, £165 from Wellington, New-Zealand, and £100 from Burlington, Iowa. A letter was read from Bishop Logue, Chairman of the Donegal Central Relief Committee, asking further aid, and stating that there are 73,000 individuals in Donegal needing relief. Bishop Logue says that the distress is increasing, and that it will not decrease until August. A grant of £2,000 was made for Donegal. A letter was read from Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the Colonial Secretary, stating that the grant of $100,000 voted by the Canadian Government had been left to him to decide the way it should be applied, with the stipulation that it should not be expended so as to deprive its recipients of the right of franchise. The Colonial Secretary proposes to hand the amount of the grant to a committee of three members of the Mansion House Relief Committee and three members of the Duchess of Marlborough's Relief Committee, and suggests that it be applied in reproductive works, such as boats, nets, &c., for fishing purposes. The committee resolved to accept the offer, and appointed the Lord Mayor of Dublin, one of the three members to represent the committee, and asked him to nominate the other two. The Lord Mayor said he felt that our alternative was difficult. Although the committee was of opinion that all the money that could be had would be needed for the purchase of food, fuel, and clothing, yet, inasmuch as this money would be spent in wages immediately, it would indirectly purchase food, &c.

MR. HEPBURN'S MEASURE

THE PRODUCE MEN OPPOSING THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BILL.

THEY PROTEST AGAINST ANY BILL REGULATING THE TRANSPORTATION QUESTION—THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BEHIND THE AGE.

The call for a meeting to take action on the Hepburn Anti-Discrimination bill, now before the Legislature, attracted a large and apparently deeply-interested assemblage in front of the cat-table, on the upper floor of the Produce Exchange, yesterday forenoon. President Edward Hincken presided. Mr. A. B. Orr, of David Dows & Co., made a motion according the privileges of the floor to Mr. F. B. Thurber, who is not personally a member. There were numerous objections. Mr. G. S. Hart said he would oppose the motion unless Vice-Presidents Blanchard, of the Erie, and Rutter, of the New-York Central, and any other expert who chose to speak, should be included. Mr. Orr accepted the amendment, and the motion prevailed. Mr. Orr then spoke at length in opposition to the bill. He said that the Exchange had already put itself on record as unfavorable to Legislative interference with the railroads by declining to take any part in the Hepburn investigation. The report of the Hepburn committee was, he granted, a full and valuable one, and it might be considered as a fair expression of the opinion of the merchants who were examined, but the information was derived exclusively from the Chamber of Commerce, and the speaker did not think the manner in which the *subject was presented by the Chamber* was fair either to the merchants *generally* or to the railroads. He himself had endeavored several times to have himself called as a witness, and only succeeded at last, after much difficulty, to find that he would not be allowed to testify so as to show the true state of affairs. Others who would have been able to afford the committee much light had had a similar experience. He denounced the whole investigation as unfair on the part of the Chamber's attorney, and he accused the committee themselves of not giving the other side due consideration. The Chamber of Commerce was away behind the age. If any one were to ask its members to-day where the New-York Central and Erie Roads terminate in the West they would answer at Dunkirk and Buffalo, while a similar question put to members of the Produce Exchange would elicit the repir "wherever railroads reach." The members of the Chamber were of the opinion that the preponderance of New-York capital is sufficient to attract freights to this City despite all outside interference. The members of the Produce Exchange knew that the West has grown so rich that it is now virtually the distating power of the continent. They knew also that the cheapest route to the seaboard is the one that attracts trade, and no other. The question of freights was the question of who should control. There was strong competition, which must be met, and such a bill as the Anti-discrimination bill would handicap the railroads of this State, while it left the railroads of other states free. Until Congress should take action, therefore, the Produce Exchange should protest against legislation which would place this City at a disadvantage in regard to other seaboard cities. In conclusion, the speaker offered the following resolutions:

Whereas, A bill entitled "A bill to regulate the Transportation of Freight by Railroad Corporations," having for its object the correction of alleged abuses in our present transportation system on the part of the railroads of the State of New-York, has been introduced into the Assembly, and is now before its Railroad Committee for consideration, it is—

Resolved, That it is the sense of the New-York Produce Exchange that while some irregularities may exist, it is nevertheless, unwise and dangerous on the part of this State to hamper by legislation the New-York railroads in their contest with competing roads, managed in the interests of rival seaboard cities, for the inland transportation trade of the United States; that the transportation question has outgrown State lines, and is now a national problem, and that legislation should be of a national character, which will affect all railroads alike, and that the importance of this question demands the broadest, most carefully-digested, and earnest consideration of Congress.

Resolved, That we protest at this time against the passage of any bill regulating such traffic emanating from the State of New-York, believing it would result disastrously to the commercial prosperity of the the City of New-York, the agricultural, manufacturing, and mercantile interests of the State, and the best interests of its citizens.

Mr. Thurber, in reply, said it seemed to him that there was only a difference of opinion as to the proper method of accomplishing the object which all merchants desired. He claimed that the Hepburn investigation had been full and fair, and said the reason why more witnesses had not been called was to shorten the inquiry, the railroads having acknowledged that many of the complaints had been proved. There was no doubt that some regulation of the railroads was necessary. The trouble with the officers of the railroad corporations was that they would not admit that they owe anything to the public. The speaker quoted the decision of the Massachusetts Railway Commission, published in yesterday's TIMES, in the case of the Boston and Albany Railroad, to show the necessity of railway supervision. He argued at length and in favor of rights of the smaller shippers, and said that the Hepburn bill did not prevent the giving of special rates, it required, however, that these should be extended to all alike. Touching the subject of rebates, he asserted that last year not a single Standard Oil Company received back from the railroads $10,151,000, and of this the Erie and New-York Central Companies gave more than $2,000,000 each. He offered as a substitute for Mr. Orr's resolutions another series asking for the passage of the Anti-Discrimination bill and the establishment of a Board of Railroad Commissioners, and favoring a rate for freight shipped in quantities less than a car-load, only so much greater than that charged for car-loads as the additional cost of doing the business may amount to.

Mr. H. Herrick, Chairman of the Grain Committee, said the question had too many sides to be properly disposed of at such a meeting. For himself, he was opposed to the bill on the ground that it, if enacted, would divert all the freighting business away from this State, particularly in the direction of the St. Lawrence River and the Welland Canal. He believed with Mr. Orr that any legislation on the subject should be national. Mr. Thurber said that both national and State legislation are needed. Mr. Hart said that, speaking as a member of the butter and cheese trade, it was absolutely necessary that that trade should have special rates and privileges. Otherwise they would lose all the business of the northern and eastern counties of the State. Mr. Leonard Rastetter made a point of order that the privilege accorded to Mr. Thurber of speaking gave him no right to introduce resolutions. He was promptly rolled down, however. Mr. Thurber's substitute was then put and defeated, and Mr. Orr's resolutions were carried by about a two-thirds majority. The meeting then adjourned.

THE BUTTER AND CHEESE MEN.

At the meeting of the butter and cheese merchants yesterday, the committee appointed to consider and report upon the Hepburn bill submitted two reports. The minority report, signed by Messrs. T. M. Seaver and George B. Douglas, happened to be read first. After the usual preamble they presented the following:

Whereas, Certain abuses in the management of railroads have appeared which have been made the subject of investigation by a committee appointed by the Legislature, which committee in their report upon the same have recommended a bill for Legislative enactment, purporting to correct such abuses, and to provide facilities, accommodations, and rates which are equitable and uniform; but which bill, in the opinion of your committee, in the present form is prejudicial to that free exercise of rights and privileges necessary to railroad corporations to enable them to compete with lines not amenable to the laws of this State, and at the same time confer impartial justice upon its patrons at home; and

Whereas, We deem legislation in some form necessary to accomplish a correction of the abuses heretofore existing, and secure to the mercantile interests uniform rates without discrimination, and such other reforms as will not unreasonably hamper or restrict the functions of the railroad corporations of this State; and

Whereas, It seems to your committee that were the language and provisions of the bill in regard to equal accommodations and facilities to all kinds of traffic to finally prevail, and the penalties of infraction enforced against the railroads, these corporations might, in self-defense, be compelled to withdraw from the cheese trade certain terminal facilities and arrangements now enjoyed during the Summer and Fall seasons, which are absolutely necessary to the prosecution of the business; and

Resolved, That in the opinion of your committee neither of the resolutions referred to their consideration do justice to the subject, but that it finds its best expression in the language of his Excellency Gov. *Cornell* in his late Message to the Legislature, that the public have the right to demand that freight tariffs should be uniform for like services, without discrimination as between citizens or communities. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the views expressed by his Excellency Gov. Cornell embody substantial principles of justice which need legislative enactment, but that the same should be so guarded as not to transmit railroad service contingent in the free service of their business, or in remedying the evils bearing upon one class of merchants, do injustice to another.

The following was the majority report, signed by Messrs. James D. Hunter, James M. Benham, and W. Winslow:

GENTLEMEN: In obedience to your request, this committee, having duly considered the resolutions presented to your body and referred to us, and after hearing fully from the representatives for and against legislative action representing railroad and commercial interests who were invited by us to appear, is the opinion of this committee that it is inexpedient at this time to recommend the adoption of what is known as the Hepburn bill, now before the Legislative committee, as it would deprive the railroad interests within this State of their just rights, and so cripple them that they would be unable to compete with the railroads in the adjoining States, which are not subject to like legislation, and thereby greatly injure the facilities now offered, not only to the butter and cheese trade, but to every commercial interest connected with this City. Whereas, it appears that discriminations have been made in the past, inconsistent with equal justice to all parties, we would cheerfully recommend some action that would serve to prevent the recurrence of the same, and recognize the broad principle of a uniform rate to all parties under the same circumstances and conditions. Therefore, this committee deem inexpedient any State action at the present time; but if a necessity should arise and grievances continue, it is the opinion of this committee that action should be taken by the General Government thus putting the railroad interests of the United States on a general footing.

On a vote being taken it was found that exactly one-half of the members present were in favor of the majority, and the other in favor of the minority report, whereupon Mr. Frank B. Thurber, although preferring the report of the minority, expressed himself satisfied with the other document, inasmuch as it, too, embraced the opinion of the meeting that the action of the railroads had not been just or satisfactory, and changed his vote. The majority report was, therefore, adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

HEARING THE RAILROAD MEN.

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW AND OTHERS APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

ALBANY, March 17.—The Assembly Railroad Committee continued its hearing to-day on the Hepburn bill. The Assembly Chamber was again filled. At the opening of the session, the Chairman, Mr. Skinner, read a telegram giving the resolutions passed by the New-York Produce Exchange. John Thorn, the first speaker, devoted the first part of his address to a denunciation of ex-Senator O'Donnell's statements, and to eulogistic remarks upon New-York Central management. He then presented a statement in regard to the Utica and Black River Railroad Company and the leased lines in connection therewith, asserting that the 2 per cent. paid to the stockholders during the year 1879 was actually a fraction over the amount remaining after paying the accounts. Dewitt C. West, of the Utica and Black River Railroad, said that the little he had seen of the bill showed that it was an unjust one, and that *it ought not to pass.*

Chauncey M. Depew then made an argument against the bill, and was frequently applauded while speaking. He said: "This movement against the railroads originated in an effort on the part of a few jobbing houses in New-York to bring the retail business of the State back to the City. Jobbing houses had been successfully established at all of the interior and western cities of the State, and succeeded in doing the whole of the business in their several localities. The agricultural element was appealed to, and the general industrial depression prevailing everywhere in all businesses, and the anomalous condition of affairs produced by the fierce war of rates which raged until a little over a year ago, all stimulated the movement. The committee appointed to investigate the question had upon it no large shipper or manufacturer. It came fresh, without experience, to the investigation of the most profound question of the age. It prosecuted its labors with great energy, fidelity, and ability. But when it undertook to formulate into legislation bills to meet the evils it had discovered, it was compelled to do so without that experience and knowledge which can only come by the largest railroad or business experience. It is doubtful whether the condition of the State of New-York in its relations to the through business of the country, in the dependence of its prosperity upon commerce originating wholly outside of the States, and upon State manufacturers finding their market outside of the State, with the fierce competition of railroads controlled outside of the jurisdiction, and by foreign lines within the jurisdiction of the State, if the best talent could devise a freight bill which would not be injurious to the railroads and ruinous to every industrial interest in the State. For years of experience in England has practically confessed her inability to meet the question, though her conditions are infinitely more favorable, it being a country under one jurisdiction and Government. Other States have tried the experiment, and have, finding that it crippled their railroads, abandoned it. Another fact. This bill is opposed by all the large shippers, manufacturers, &c., representing eight-tenths of the capital invested in the business outside of the Cities of New-York and Brooklyn. Its advocates are only the score of jobbing merchants in New-York and half a dozen gentlemen holding offices in an affiliated organization in the country, gotten up by them for political effect."

He then treated the report of the committee, and said that the railroads of other States connecting with New-York were all seeking to divert that trade which had made New-York what she was to other States and sea-board cities. "State legislation necessarily stops at the borders of the State, and unless Congress first legislates on the whole railroad system of the country, and the State then follows with some general law, legislation in the State simply takes the State railway system out of the railway system of the country, the effect of which would be to divert through business and raise local rates.

"The New-York Central is assailed as a monopoly. It is a monopoly only in the sense of business success. In the midst of violent competition it successfully competes for itself, and, incidentally, for the State which chartered it, for the great products of the continent. The Erie road is doing its share of competition for the outside trade, and so that the canal and river can successfully take away its business at every station, so that the Lehigh Valley, the Delaware and Lackawanna, the Pennsylvania and other roads running out of the State can take its local business at its most important points, unrivaled by any other State, can induce the New-York Central Railroad to a non-paying enterprise. The railroads of the State earn $90,000,000; $60,000,000 of it is earned from business which comes from without the State, and the whole of it is transported from the State by the roads only 17 pay dividends, and the whole of these earn less than 3 per cent. on their actual cost. This bill would compel the New-York Central Railroad Company to pay the penalty of $100 for each violation of a rule to charge every person received back from the railroads $10,151,000, and of this the Erie and New-York Central Companies gave more than $2,000,000 each. He offered as a substitute for Mr. Orr's resolutions another series asking for the passage of the Anti-Discrimination bill and the establishment of a Board of Railroad Commissioners, and favoring a rate for freight shipped in quantities less than a car-load, only so much greater than that charged for car-loads as the additional cost of doing the business may amount to.

Mr. H. Herrick, Chairman of the Grain Committee, said the question had too many sides to be properly disposed of at such a meeting. For himself, he was opposed to the bill on the ground that it, if enacted, would divert all the freighting business away from this State, particularly in the direction of the St. Lawrence River and the Welland Canal. He believed with Mr. Orr that any legislation on the subject should be national. Mr. Thurber said that both national and State legislation are needed. Mr. Hart said that, speaking as a member of the butter and cheese trade, it was absolutely necessary that that trade should have special rates and privileges. Otherwise they would lose all the business of the northern and eastern counties of the State. Mr. Leonard Rastetter made a point of order that the privilege accorded to Mr. Thurber of speaking gave him no right to introduce resolutions. He was promptly rolled down, however. Mr. Thurber's substitute was then put and defeated, and Mr. Orr's resolutions were carried by about a two-thirds majority. The meeting then adjourned.

A DETERMINED STRUGGLE

THE PIANO-MAKERS ISSUE THEIR RETURN MANIFESTO.

TELLING THE STORY OF THEIR GRIEVANCES—UNAVAILING EFFORTS FOR A COMPROMISE—WHAT BOTH SIDES SAY.

The lock-out of the piano-makers has now lasted three days, and both employers and employes are still busily preparing for the struggle, which has every indication of being a long and determined one. The chief hope of the locked-out men seems to lie in their belief that the manufacturers will fail to hold together. "One or two firms will weaken pretty quick," said one of the union men yesterday, "and then you'll see the bosses' union go to pieces, and every employer will look out for himself, and let the others look out for themselves." Following the example of the manufacturers, the Piano-makers' Union issued yesterday a statement giving their version of the lock-out and its causes. It is addressed "To the Public, the Working Men, and especially the Piano-forte Manufacturers," signed "The Organization of the Piano-makers' Union," and reads as follows:

"When, after a long number of years, in which misery and despair have not only entered the homes of the poor, but also those of the rich, during which time many thousands of the first have, for the want of proper and sufficient nurishment, died a slow death, and many of the latter have, through misfortune in business, been driven to ruin and suicide, or else were thrown back into the ranks of the Proletariat; when, after such a time of despair business begins to revive and the working men are in hopes of once more having an opportunity to live like human beings, and we see their hopes vanish by an uncalled-for and most unjustifiable *'lock-out' of thousands of honest mechanics, who are thereby deprived of all means of supporting* themselves and their families, then the world will ask—and it has a right, even the duty, to know—what is the cause of it? and who are guilty? Upon reflection we must come to the conclusion that the chances for carrying on business are only possible in society at large, (organized in nations and States,) which society, so organized, has at all times afforded greater protection to business men than to the working class. Consequently, we hold it as a duty on the part of those who receive the most protection to consider well what they do, and not to act against the interest of society at large by closing their factories, thereby making thousands almost breadless. Had the employes made demands by which the manufacturers would have been unable to obtain a sufficient profit, then the lock-out might be justified. But the existing scale of wages, which are still too low, and the enormous demand for pianos, proves the contrary. We do not now desire to repeat the several misrepresentations, but will here state that after the demand of Steinway & Sons' varmakers for from 11 to 18 per cent. advance was not granted, all the remaining branches also left the factory, and after the expiration of four days also demanded an advance of 10 per cent. The firm of Steinway & Sons, who must have seen the justice of our demand, made it their business to draw up a new scale of wages, which they published, declaring at the same time that there could be no further cause for the strike. Upon looking over the new scale, it was found that a few men, who performed work which an opportunity to learn is but seldom offered, were already receiving higher wages than had been advanced more than they called for, while others were offered far less than their demand. The firm requested the men to accept the so-called liberal scale, stating that if they did not return by Saturday, the 13th, all factories would be closed on Monday, March 15. The guilty consciences of the other firms must have told them that wages in their factories were also too low, and therefore found it advisable to close their factories. The employes of Steinway deem it but just that each man shall receive higher wages, and they are seconded in by all their fellow-working-men. By the above statement the object of the new scale of wages will be seen, which was that the better paid should leave their fellow-men who were receiving small wages like traitors, and as the tools of the employers. The system, a relic of slavery—hunger—was then to do its work. Now, we ask the manufacturers, Can they, in the present prosperous state of trade, close their factories until we starve? What say they now about the competition and other cities? We think it is not for your action proclaim to the world that you would rather see thousands of dollars go to waste than to pay your men better wages! Instead of organizing yourselves for the purpose of advancing the wages in each and every branch of your business, you have organized only in New-York, with the intention of depriving the men of a share of the profits afforded by the prosperous condition of trade. We are fully aware that the manufacturer is disturbed in his general run of business through strikes, and we also know that the men often have to pay very dearly for their victories. Why, then, not remove the cause? This can be done for a long time. It lies in your power, and you will eventually reap the benefit therefrom. Why not act like better and honorable men? The organization of the journeymen piano-makers is fully aware of its object. We are convinced that we cannot obtain high wages, but we are also convinced that it is our duty to see that each journeyman shall at least earn wages which will not compel him to live like a Chinaman. The ringleaders, as they are called by the papers, will make it their business to see that errors of the past will not be committed in the present or the future, and we can therefore, positively state that not one single strike has been dictated by the union, but that, on the contrary, the men, through receiving small wages and everything going up, were compelled to strike, and not until they themselves had resolved to do so did the union consider it its duty to support them. With what sacrifices this has often been done cannot be unknown to you. In conclusion, we would ask the manufacturers and the public which party could have more easily prevented a lock-out? Would it have been more just for the hard-pressed to deprive their fellow-men who were receiving but small wages, or for Mr. Steinway to make his advance equal to all? If men were satisfied with 10 per cent., and were offered more, why, then, could he not grant the demand of those who received the least, instead of giving to others more than they called for? The fear of the other firms that if Mr. Steinway gives in they will also have to pay more proves conclusively that wages in their factories must also be too low. These true and simple words, written by working men and not by a lawyer, will certainly not fail to still further strengthen and unite the men for sacrifice and victory. We are strong, for our cause is just."

The men succeed at the statement of the Manufacturers' Association, published yesterday, and insisted that from beginning to end it was a tissue of lies. Their own statement they declare to be the whole and only truth of the matter. The proposition of certain capitalists to fill the piano factories with Chinese workmen was much talked of among the men, but no one seemed to be at all alarmed. "The Chinese! Why we've all had a good laugh over that," said one of the Executive Committee of the union to the TIMES reporter. "They might make varnishers out of the Chinamen," he added, "but they can't make a Chinaman a mechanic, and it takes a skilled mechanic to make a piano. Let those capitalists try it once. They'll soon lose their $3,000,000 security."

The most important feature of the lock-out yesterday was the action of the Grand Lodge of the Piano-makers' Union, the law-making body of the union. It was resolved by the lodge that unless the manufacturers throw open their factories by 7 o'clock on Monday morning next, the union would order that no piano-maker of any branch shall go to work in any of the lock-out shops unless his employer gives him an advance of 10 per cent. in wages. This measure, the members of the lodge say, will be strictly carried out. "We give our bosses fair notice," said one, "that if this lock-out lasts till 7 o'clock Monday, they won't get a single man in their factories after that without the 10 per cent. advance." Employers with whom this reporter talked laughed at this demand as only another piece of folly by the workmen, and a request which they say will certainly not be granted. Several shop meetings were held by the locked-out men during the day. Ernest Gabler's men sent word to him that hereafter he could only communicate with them through the Executive Committee of the union. Henry Behning's men decided that they would not return excepts in a body. It was reported to the Executive Committee that five men from this factory have obtained work and moved their tools elsewhere. When Kranich & Bach's men were locked out they were told to come back to the shop yesterday. They did so, and found the doors closed. Then a meeting was held, and word sent to Mr. Kranich that if he wanted to talk to the men he must do it through the union. He replied that he did not wish to meet him. They did so, and Mr. Kranich proposed to the man that they leave the union and return to work. If they would do so, he said, he would join them in forming a shop union among themselves. He added that he would never again employ a union man. The man rejected Mr. Kranich's proposition, and told him in the future he must refer to the Executive Committee of the union. The employes of *Pease & Co.* resolved not to go back unless *is a body. Mr. Wheelock made a speech to his employes,* strongly urging them to leave the Union and go to work. Afterward the men sent him a sarcastic letter declining to take his advice. J. & C. Fischer's man sent word to the firm that they wanted a 10 per cent. advance in wages, and would not return to work without it. Schmer & Co. asked their men to meet them yesterday, but the men refused, although agreeing to call on the firm to-day. It was reported that three policemen and was found men were still at work in Billings & Co.'s shop. Each of the employes of Bacon & Karr received a postal card from Mr. Bacon yesterday asking him to come to the shop to-morrow, when it would be open. Weber's men resolved to stay out until all went back in a body. Haines Brothers' factory was one of the locked-out men sent for his tools. When the lock-out began the man had a piece of work less than half completed, but had received credit on his record-book for the whole job, and had thus been paid in overpaid for his work. On first being asked to let him have his tools over he for these circumstances. "I asked the man to finish his job," said Mr. Haines, "and offered to turn on steam in the factory so that he could, but he would not. Unquestionably, workmen have a right to remove their tools under ordinary circumstances, when the most they have been paid for work not completed. I am ready to test that question if necessary." Three members of the Manufacturers' Association visited the various factories yesterday to see if everything was all right. Mr. Haines, one of the firm of Haines Brothers' factory, where the workmen had all been allowed to remain until their jobs were finished, the manufacturers asked each man whether or not he belonged to the union. Ten workmen replied that they did. Mr. Hamilton's attention was immediately called to the matter, and it is said an investigation followed. One of the visiting manufacturers afterward said that the 10 union men would probably be locked out to-day. The matter is expected to be discussed at the meeting of the Manufacturers' Association to-day.

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

GENERAL ORDERS REGARDING MOUNTED TROOPS—PROPOSED NAVAL LEGISLATION.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The following orders have been issued:

HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, March 12, 1880.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 18.—By direction of the Secretary of War, General Orders No. 7, of Feb. 2, 1880, are modified to read as follows:

I. The following are announced as mounted officers: Officers of the staff corps below the rank of Major; officers of troops of cavalry, officers of one light battery for each regiment of artillery; officers announced in orders from this office as acting Signal Officers, and authorized aides-de-camp, duly appointed as such. Other light batteries of artillery which may be designated by the President (under section 1,101, Revised Statutes) and equipped as such will have the organization of a light battery, except the additional Second Lieutenant, and the officers thereof actually serving with the light batteries will be mounted. Officers actually serving with companies of infantry mounted by authority of the War Department, and not in excess of the legal organization of infantry, are mounted while so serving. A company of infantry mounted retains the same organization as on foot. Other officers on duty which, in the opinion of the department commander, requires them to be mounted, will be entitled to be so considered on the certificate of their department commanders that they have been on duty in the service of the United States which required them to be mounted during the time.

II. Department commanders will announce in *orders the authority obtained from the Secretary of War* for mounting companies of infantry, giving the date from which such mounted service commences. They will also announce promptly, in orders, the date of the termination of such mounted service. These announcements will guide the Pay Department in paying mounted pay.

III. Muster-rolls and returns of light batteries and companies of infantry mounted must show in all cases, by number, date, and source of order, the authority for being mounted; on the first muster-roll after being mounted, a full copy of the order, and on the first roll after being dismounted, a full copy of the order ordering the dismounting. Pay officers charging mounted pay must embrace the same information, but need not embrace any certificate in regard to the use of a public horse.

IV. The use of public horses for the public service by officers receiving mounted pay will be regulated by the department, under the supervision of division commanders, to conform to the necessities of the public service. As a rule, every such officer will be required to furnish his own mount. Attention is invited in this connection to paragraph 1,149, Army Regulations of 1863.

By command of Gen. SHERMAN:

E. D. TOWNSEND, Adjutant-General.

By direction of the Secretary of War, the following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the Corps of Engineers are made: Second Lieutenant William M. Black is relieved from duty with the battalion of Engineers, and will report to Major W. P. Craighill, at Baltimore, for duty under his immediate orders in charge of a boat. Mr. Black, relieved from duty under the immediate orders of Major W. P. Craighill, and will take station at Cincinnati, Ohio, and relieve Major William R. Merrill of the charge of the following works: The improvement of the Ohio River, West Virginia; Wood's Run, the improvement of the Guyandotte River, West Virginia; the improvement of the Big Sandy River, West Virginia and Kentucky, and the improvement of the Kentucky River, Kentucky.

Troop C, Ninth Cavalry, Fort Hill, United States Army, will continue on duty at McPherson Barracks until April 1, when he will proceed to join his station in the Department of the Columbia.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs to-day agreed to make an adverse report on Mr. Ward's bill providing pay to commissioned officers of the Navy mustered out of the service under the act of Congress approved Feb. 15, 1879. The committee also adopted an adverse report upon Mr. King's bill to repeal the act relative to the apportionment of Cadet Midshipmen.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs to-day decided to report favorably upon the House joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Navy to organize a board to inquire into the present condition of the double-turreted monitors, and the propriety and cost of completing them. The committee will, however, recommend the adoption of an amendment providing that the board (of not less than five, nor more than seven officers of the Navy) may be selected from either the active or retired list, and may consist of officers of any rank instead of being restricted to the highest rank of captain, &c. The board is to be charged with the duty of thoroughly examining, in person, the Puritan, the Monadnock, the Amphitrite, and the Terror, with a view of determining first, whether it is to the interest of the Government to complete the vessels named, if so, whether it is advisable to complete them according to the existing plans, models, and agreements; third, if any change is demanded in order to make them more efficient as war vessels, to inquire into the extent and character as well as the cost of such modification; and also to inquire into any other facts material to each of these questions. The conclusions of the board are to be reported to the Secretary of the Navy, who shall at once transmit the same, with his opinions thereon, to Congress.

A telegram was received by the Secretary of War to-day from Lieut. Col. Paul Minn, announcing the death of Col. William J. Sloan, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Sloan was Medical Director of the Department of Dakota.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Lieut. Jarboe of the United States steamer Hassler, lying at Mare Island Navy-yard, was found dead in his bed on board the ship this morning. He retired last night apparently in good health.

PHILADELPHIA, March 17.—The funeral of the late William M. Kinz, Medical Inspector of the United States Navy, who died in this city on Sunday morning last, took place this morning from his late residence, and was attended by many officers of the Navy and Army and others.

RED MARS IN ECLIPSE.

A PHENOMENON ASTRONOMERS DID NOT THINK WORTH OBSERVING.

As there were no important questions of astronomical physics to be determined by the phenomenon of the occultation of the planet Mars by the moon, which took place last evening it was not generally observed by physical or descriptive astronomers, although the condition of the atmosphere and the position of the planets, nearly in the zenith of the heavens, a little to the west of the meridian, were particularly favorable to telescopic observations. From an optical point of view, the immersion of the planet was a peculiarly suggestive and interesting phenomenon, when viewed with the naked eye or with an ordinary field or opera glass, the red flame of Mars appearing to be extinguished in space instead of passing behind the luminous body of the moon. With an instrument of average power the cause of this appearance was obvious enough, and the apparent extinction in empty space, a little above the reservation of the lunar crescent, was resolved into a real passage behind the hidden section of the moon's disk, handed at the circumference by a faintly luminous curve, which is invisible to the unassisted senses. The occultation commenced at about 6:33, the immersion occupying a period of only 12 seconds—an interval too brief to admit of valuable observations with ordinary instruments, and one only to be improved, with probability of success, by the use of a sidereal barometer to determine the magnified images of the two bodies with lucid clearness. Prof. Henry Draper did not consider the occultation of sufficient importance to his speciality (astronomical physics) to make any preparations for the occasion, and only witnessed casually the progress of the emersion at about 7:50. As the emersion was the ordinary one of a planet emerging from the luminous periphery of the moon, it was of no particular interest, either optically or physically, and the Professor did not trouble himself to observe it minutely. The emersion occupied 19 seconds, during which time, with instruments adjusted, a view of the spectrum might possibly have been taken had there been any prospect that such a procedure would add any appreciable materials to the data for determining the vexed question of a lunar atmosphere or the equally doubtful one respecting the physical nature of Mars.

There are only two questions, indeed, to the literature of which the most careful observations of an occultation of Mars could possibly contribute anything worth recording. The one concerns the data for determining the moon's position with greater exactness; the other the question of atmospheres. For the first the occultation of a star is more valuable than that of Mars, while for the second the periods of immersion and emersion are too brief to admit of satisfactory observation. According to Prof. Draper, who has recently instituted repeated comparisons between the spectrum of Mars and that of the sun, so far as spect

VALUE OF SANITARY WORK

THE TRIUMPHS OF SCIENCE OVER DISEASE.

PROF. WILLIAM H. BREWER'S LECTURE UPON SANITATION—CAUSES WHICH LED TO HISTORIC EPIDEMICS—CHANGES WROUGHT BY MODERN SCIENCE—NECESSITY OF CONSTANT WATCHFULNESS.

NEW-HAVEN, March 16.—During every Winter term since the organization of the Sheffield Scientific School it has been customary for the Faculty of that institution to arrange a course of popular lectures on scientific and literary subjects, for the benefit of themselves, and of all other persons who may care to attend. These lectures, given mainly by Yale Professors and instructors, seem to increase in merit every year, and the course just ended, the fourteenth, has been an especially interesting one. Most of the topics discussed have been treated by masters minds, with a display of original thought and experimental knowledge quite unknown in the ordinary lecture field. Upon Prof. William H. Brewer devolved the task of closing the present course this evening, and he executed his trust in a very able manner. The Professor has an intimate acquaintance with all that concerns the welfare of the human race, and of the brute races in their relations to man. His researches in matters of public interest, in the line of sanitary science, have been duly appreciated by the New-Haven authorities, who have made him President of their Board of Health. His address, given in brief below, was mainly an earnest appeal in behalf of public cleanliness and health.

"The celebrated artist, Holbein," he said, "gained the most of his reputation from his creation of a series of pictures entitled 'The Dance of Death.' He depicts the grim messenger appearing to man at the most unexpected times, and in the most unlooked-for ways. Now it is the bride snatched from the husband; again he comes in the hall of festivity and snatches one or another of the gay revelers. These pictures were made at about the most pestilence-stricken time the world has ever seen, and the grim idea was not a creation of Holbein's only—it formed the theme of many series of pictures, still to be found in old ecclesiastical buildings, and done in times when men were taught more by pictures than by the written or printed page. Death had a familiarity then it has ceased to have now, and seemed a more terrible foe to humanity. Lives were much shortened then; sickness was a more mysterious dispensation; pestilence came often, and disease lurked everywhere as an unseen foe, not to be met with physical weapons. To understand what modern sanitary science is, how it works, and what it has done for the human race, and why health boards are more important now than ever before, we must look at the past and notice the causes which give the science its present importance. Practical sanitary science may be defined in a general way as the application of scientific methods of observation and treatment to the maintenance of health. We use in a general way the term hygiene for all that relates to the care or preservation of the health of the individual or the family; and sanitary science, or, for short, sanitation, for all that relates to the care and preservation of the health of the community. In its present aspect, sanitary science is very modern. The ancients were well acquainted with many hygiene laws, and practiced them, but the knowledge and the practice declined with the decline of learning and civilization in that period known as the dark ages."

After these introductory remarks, the lecturer entered into a long and thrilling account of the principal plagues and pestilences that have cursed the human race within the historic period, dwelling especially upon that gloomy interval of time constituting the Middle Ages. This was for the purpose of demonstrating the character and extent of the more fatal epidemics, and their effects upon the welfare of communities and of the world at large, in order that the good results arising from modern sanitation might be the more clearly understood. Of all the scourges which afflict humanity," he said, "pestilence has ever ranked first, and any epidemic mortal sickness is a pestilence. In old times pestilence was usually considered as the most fearful exhibition of the wrath of offended Deity, against which physical treatment was of no avail, and the sufferers knew but few of the dangers to health which we moderns have to face. All the civilized races of antiquity lived in climates very unlike our own, and very unlike those of Central and Northern Europe; they were dryer and of a more healthful nature. The people were also simpler in their habits, and were less exposed to the spread of contagion by travel and commerce. A great shame occurred with the decline of the Roman Empire. Religious truths were perverted, intellectual methods changed, and faith and charity took the place of observation and research. Because of the value of the soul the body came to be despised. The planting of a Christian faith and civilization among the barbarous tribes of Central and Northern Europe presented many new problems. Civilization had never before invaded so harsh a climate, and with the new race came new forms of disease. The civilizing power was a slow one, and took centuries for its accomplishment. The history of the times dwells mostly on the fierce struggles which took place between social barbarism and civilization, between opposing moral and religious forces; but the fight with disease and pestilence that went on at the same time was more terrible and more prolonged. It was during this period that pestilence fairly ran riot. The successful treatment of disease must be by methods that are scientific in their nature, but the spirit of those times was against that form of intellectual activity, which in later years has taken the direction of scientific investigation and induction. Sanitary science is the latest outcome from the other physical sciences, particularly biology, and consequently, which first required some considerable growth. Of all the forms of disease, that known as the plague or black death has come down to us most vividly in history. From 1346 to 1355 it is said to have carried off one-fourth the population of the Old World. Modern burials in Central country over 13,000,000 died of it in China alone. For the next two and a half centuries the history of Europe seems almost a history of successive pestilences. But what is the plague; or more important, what causes it? Overwhelming and fatal as the plague of 1348 upon communities of to-day live as they did in the Middle Ages, there the plague originates from time to time, but once well started, its infection may spread among people of better habits. It still lives, and if nations in the future shall not be accounted to the nations in the past, it will be because they prevent it." Brief mention was also made of all the other contagious diseases or epidemics which have afflicted humanity.

"We may, in a sense," continued Prof. Brewer, "date sanitary science, as a science, with the cholera epidemic in 1832 in Great Britain. The most pestilence that most afflicts this country is yellow fever, which, although not so deadly as some, is bad enough, and it is now attracting much attention. But sanitary science buries itself more nowadays with these forms of preventable disease which are not pestilences, but which carry of more victims from among us. Among these are scarlet fever and measles. Sanitation has two classes of application. The first relates to the individual or family, the second to the public health. Public sanitation bases its conclusions, deduces its laws, and predicts its results by consulting the death rate in a community. A comparison of the death rate of diseases with surrounding conditions, by noting the character of preventable diseases, and their relations to the surrounding conditions; by collecting the effects upon health of a change in these conditions, and, finally, by studying the nature of the diseases themselves and the manner in which they are spread. In a healthy city the death-rate may be as low as 12 per cent.; generally it is over 20, too often above 30, and sometimes as high as 40 or 50 per cent." The lecturer followed with different charts into which the mortality and health are divided, and brought forward many interesting mortuary statistics of New-Haven for the past 20 years in illustration of the benefits of public sanitation. His very full and carefully-wrought conclusions on the subject formed by far the most striking part of his discourse, as follows:

"The effect of good sanitary conditions upon populations which are careful is seen in the death-rates of the different wards of the city, [New-Haven,] which during the past three years, have been as low as 9.32, and in one ward, as high as 26.09 per cent. in another. This naturally suggests the four points contained to sanitation—ignorance, filthy habits, selfishness, and indifference. The last is displayed at every epidemic, but the others are always present. We cannot escape from our sanitary surroundings. This is not so, compared with sickness; I mean, it does not affect the community; nor is it for the individual, unless he be a pauper. Sickness is expensive and this naturally brings us to the last phase which I have time to notice. In these modern times, if a man is sick, he and his family are often afflicted to be sick, and all preventable diseases must be done down, or the community cannot hold its own against its more healthy competitors. For an individual to prosper by his labor he must be reasonably well; and this is just as true of a community or State as it is of the individual or family. The institutions whose may be thrifty and add to his savings every year, if he be well, but when sickness comes upon him and his earnings cease, then his savings go and his property is soon eaten up. Or, if he have small stores in his family, however he may wish it to be, he cannot be thrifty, for sickness is more expensive even than luxury. And this is just as true of a city or community. In the larger communities of these modern times, no likely community can be prosperous; it may be intelligently, healthy, and virtuous, but if it be not well, it will be this lesser of the importance of public health to which I wish to call your special attention. Every student of history and of political economy notices the wonderfully rapid accumulation of wealth and capital in modern times compared with what it was in ancient times and ages. The material wealth and the material of the civilized world has more than doubled in less than a life time. The accumulation of wealth and property (and it is this which represents the aggregate savings from labor) during the 17th century, was not more than $2,000,000,000, and yet in all the thousands of years that had gone before and back, for, while there has been a more general improvement in the comforts of life and a much greater population in the latter. The causes of this rapid growth have been the subject of much discussion by statesmen and political economists. The causes generally assigned are the invention of modern machinery, the use of steam as a motive, the growth of modern means of transportation by sea and land, the application of the natural sciences to the arts and industries, the spread of popular education, the diminution of wars, and the production of the precious metals. There is no doubt that each and all of these have had their influence; but there is one still greater cause which is too often overlooked, simply because it is not so conspicuous. The greatest of all causes is to be found in the better average health of civilized countries, and the longer average term of life which is now secured to working men.

"It was not merely war men because they did not have sickness, nor did not know about greenbacks, that kept the masses in poverty all through the Middle Ages—it was disease, and the death that came from disease, that kept the nations poor. The history of the Middle Ages is a sad succession of plagues of cities devastated, of States impoverished, of labourers swept away in millions, by successive waves of pestilence that followed each other as often as cities grew populous. Between the sometimes sickness which was ever present, and the pestilences which swept off of their millions at a sweep, the average period available for actual labor in man was perhaps not more than half what it is now. Meanwhile, it took just as long to rear children to a working age as now, and sickness was just as expensive; so, between the diminished power of production, the waste by sickness, the pauper and those to consume caused by plagues which were raging somewhere all the time, it is no wonder that wealthy people were comparatively few and the masses sunk in abject poverty. If we are tempted to think that we are saved from this by steam or machinery or increased production of the precious metals, let us look at any pestilence-stricken city of modern times. A single pestilence of but a few months came near bankrupting Savannah, and laid a check on its progress and a burden on her resources which it will take many long years to overcome. Worse still is the case of Memphis, with its two pestilences, and such may be the loss to any American city if it neglects sanitary laws. Our modern civilization is one of intense competition. Each producing community is now in a struggle with all the rest of the world, as it never was before. If it have any special advantages, it may prosper; if it have any special disadvantage, it either lags behind in the swift race, or, by standing still, relatively declines, or else it goes under in the hard struggle of productive or commercial competition. And what heavier burden to bear than sickness! And yet this fact is liable to be overlooked or forgotten. The healthy man hopes that sickness will never come, and may be careless of his health, and the healthy community may be slowly awakens to danger until epidemic sickness sets in, and then the loss is actually begun.

"It is the part of sanitary science to point out the dangers and suggest means of prevention, and when epidemics actually set in to suggest remedies; it is the part of sanitary legislation to provide means to apply these remedies; it is the function of health boards to administer them. But from the nature of the case, the better they do their work the less obvious are their labors. The officer who heroically stands at his post during the time of pestilence, labors to stay its dread work, helps the suffering, and comforts the dying, is a hero, and the heroism is of a kind that can be seen; no praise is too high. But the other officer who, by his labors, prevents the pestilence, and keeps it so far off that the danger is generally seen, receives no such praise, too often in his stead criticism, opposition, and indifference. It is because of the nature of sanitary work that its value in increasing the prosperity of a city is so often overlooked. In the ordinary pursuits of business, the clang of machinery, the brilliancy of the applications of science to the arts, the bustle of business, the romantic ways in which the precious metals have been discovered and won, are more conspicuously in the eyes of the public than the quiet, persistent, unromantic, but heroic, fight with unseen, but unwholesome influences which lurk in the air of our towns. These malicious influences, mostly growing out of our modes of life, are ever present in all our cities, ever growing unless checked, always producing disease, and from time to time, especially inviting pestilence, as persistent as sin, as tireless as nature, and as fatal as death. The rapid growth of town and city populations as compared with the country, during the last 40 or 50 years, has been made possible only by the power which modern sanitary science gives us to prevent, to check, and to combat epidemics. As matters were before, a pestilence of but a few weeks or months would put back the growth of a city for years. This was the case with Boston but one visitation of yellow fever; it lasted scarcely two months, and from all I can ascertain by a careful investigation of the matter, it took from eight to ten years to recover from that shock. Indeed, can we say that it ever recovered! What New-Haven might have been, had it not been for that check, just at a time of rapidly-growing commercial importance, we can never know, but that citizens lack with their capital, to go into business elsewhere, and never came back, and that trade left the place and never returned, is certain. What "might have been" had this pestilence not fallen on us 56 years ago we can never know. What may be, if another pestilence comes, we know too well. Too many cities have had such a bitter experience, even in modern times, for us to be ignorant of the effects.

"We insure our manufactories from loss by fire, to insure their being rebuilt if once burned. Even with this, the temporary suspension of work may drive trade elsewhere. Hence premiums are cheerfully paid to guard against the possible contingency, and before the conflagration comes we cheerfully contribute fire-engines and apparatus, and organize bodies of skilled men to use them when the emergency comes. Here it is recognized that all this, though expensive in the beginning is cheap in the end, and yet how reluctantly any such means are taken to guard against a worse destroyer of our trade and prosperity. The arguments used even by official bodies against adequate support of public health administration in many, if not most cities, are curiosities of inconsistency, and will be cited as such by the next generation. It must not be forgotten that health boards are now more strongly demanded and called for because of their pecuniary importance than because of their function in allaying human suffering or saving human life. So long as merely men died, and health was lost, and sorrow fell on thousand of homes, Memphis went on as of old, despite the exposals deeper and more of them, and did without sewers, but when the loud voice of trade cried out, 'we cannot afford to allow Memphis to longer stand as a menace to the commercial prosperity of the great Mississippi Valley, then, and not till then, was a system of sewering begun. A high death-rate meant lessened vigor, lessened powers of production, a check on prosperity, a burden on industry. A low death-rate, in modern cities, can only be secured by public sanitation, and by an intelligent and efficient cooperation of the public with an active Board of Health. A single epidemic but one-fourth as bad as that in Memphis last year would cost this city more, and leave us with higher taxes, than the most expensive system of sewers and of garbage collection than was ever dreamed of here. And there is nothing to prevent it but public sanitation. We had that very disease here once, and the city did not recover its prosperity for 10 years, and it lost some phases of prestige which it never regained. An epidemic of small-pox a few years since lost to the City of Philadelphia, in ways which could be estimated, above $20,000,000. This city a little later, was seriously threatened with a similar epidemic, which was effectually stayed and the health officers were, perhaps, more severely criticised for their work than for any other thing they have ever done. The results, however, have amply demonstrated the wisdom of their action.

"The fact wants to be kept before the public, that as production and commerce and trade are now carried on, few cities can afford to allow a pestilence to invade them. And if it comes to a city, with the natural advantages of soil and climate we have, it is due either to official ignorance or public neglect. There is, perhaps, not a single kind of pestilence which has afflicted any civilized city of temperate climate during the Dark Ages or since, over which we have not new control, if the community set up the highest local knowledge we have; and on the other hand, as business is now carried on, no city can now be so afflicted as many then were, and not be bankrupted and financially ruined. Moreover, a pestilence is only an intensified manifestation of disease; most of its disastrous effects may be produced by the less intense form of prolonged, but general ill health, and it is perfectly safe to say that no Northern city can be really prosperous and really sick at the same time. The health of people is the real foundation upon which the prosperity of the city and the wealth of the community depends. The money value to New-Haven of a reputation for healthfulness should not be slighted or underestimated in our efforts to maintain our beautiful and beloved city, and no one single fact will do more to foster and maintain our material prosperity than to continue to have the lowest death-rate of any sea-port of its size in the world."

WESTCHESTER TOWN ELECTIONS.

The usual Spring charter elections took place at Tarrytown, North Tarrytown, Irvington, Dobb's Ferry, and Mount Kisco, Westchester County, on Tuesday last, with the following result:

Tarrytown.—President, Theodore P. Bayliss; Trustees, John Dennis and William Knapp; Collector, John J. Vanderbilt; Treasurer, B. Frank Hayes. They voted an additional appropriation of $1,000 for the support of a Police force, and another for extending the water mains to Peary Bridge.

North Tarrytown.—President, A. De Revere; Trustees; Morgan Purdy and Charles G. Stephens; Collector, A. Tracy; Treasurer, R. W. Rustell.

Irvington-on-the-Hudson.—President, William P. Drake; Trustees, William A. Burnham, (long term,) and John Hunter, (short term;) Collector, Thomas W. Barker; Treasurer; Henry H. Cannon. They voted an appropriation of $500 for the Health Board, and resolved to substitute gas for naphtha in in the street lamps.

Dobb's Ferry.—President, John G. Ambler; Trustee, Moses T. Odell; Collector, Daniel Gilleasple; Treasurer, Nathaniel Lawrence.

Mount Kisco.—President, Joseph O. Miller; Trustees, Albert B. Caries and George W. Gerham; Collector, Alvah L. Banks; Treasurer, E. T. Bailey.

At the primary elections held in the City of Yonkers on Tuesday evening the following nominations were made for city officers: For Mayor, Norton P. Otis; for City Judge, Edward P. Baird; for Aldermen, First Ward, Cyrus Peake; Second Ward, Edward Underhill; Third Ward, William P. Ketcham; Fourth Ward, Henry R. Hicks; for Supervisor, Joseph H. Palmer; for Justices of the Peace, (long term,) Edmund Logan, Jr.; (short term,) Allen Taylor.

MATTERS OF EDUCATIONAL INTEREST.

City Superintendent of Schools Jasper reported to the Board of Education yesterday that the number of pupils on the rolls of the several schools for the past month was 126,899, and that the average attendance was 112,686. The Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward were authorized to renew the leases on Nos. 212 and 214 East Forty-second-st. at $1,500 a year and water tax, and Nos. 709 and 711 Third-avenue at $2,600 a year and taxes, and to lease the premises adjoining Primary School No. 30, on First-avenue, near Fifty-fourth-street, at $1,600 a year and water tax. The latter building is five stories high, and will be ready for use July 15. The Saturday sessions of the Normal College were abolished by a unanimous vote. The President was authorized to notify the Produce Exchange that the board was now prepared to receive the publications compiled by Primary School No. 15 by that body, as proposed in a bill now before the Legislature.

THE "KITCHEN GARDEN."

HOW HOUSE-WORK IS TAUGHT BY OBJECT LESSONS IN SEVERAL CITIES.

The first general meeting of the "Kitchen Garden Association" was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of the President, Mrs. S. P. Blagden, No. 107 East Twenty-first-street. The association consists of ladies actively engaged in the work of teaching house-work to classes of children of the poor by means of object lessons upon a plan similar to that of the well-known kindergarten. From a very small and recent beginning in this City, this work of charitable education has spread so rapidly throughout the country that this association was formed to meet the want of a central organization, which should furnish a standard to secure uniformity of instruction, and should generally assist in the formation of new schools. The first business of yesterday's meeting was to approve the minutes of the preliminary meeting, at which an organization was effected with the following officers: President—Mrs. Blagden; Vice-President—Mrs. John Sinclair, No. 521 Madison-avenue; Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Elizabeth A. Thomson, No. 68 Park-avenue; Corresponding Secretary—Miss Grace H. Dodge, No. 262 Madison-avenue; Advisory Committee—Mrs. Jonathan Sturges, No. 40 East Thirty-sixth-street, and Mrs. Augustus Hemenway, Boston, Mass., and a Board of 13 Managers, including Miss Emily Huntington, No. 125 St. Mark's-place, the inventor of the system. Miss Grace Dodge then read a paper, reviewing the progress of the work. It had its beginning, she said, in 1876, in the Wilson Industrial School for Girls, in this City, and was at first taught lesson by lesson, as ideas were developed, by Miss Huntington. In 1877, 35 young ladies volunteered as teachers, and about 200 scholars were taught. The classes have been continued ever since, and are now flourishing. Similar success has also attended classes which have been from time to time started in the Thirteen-Street Memorial Chapel, the mission of Dr. Hall's church, at Eighteenth-street and Seventh-avenue, the Olivet Chapel, in Bond-street; the De Witt Chapel, the King-street Mission, the Five Points Methodist Mission, the Five Points House of Industry, one of the Children's Aid Society schools, the chapel of Dr. Newton's church, and the chapel of the Church of the Incarnation. There is also a class of Spuyten-Duyvil. In Hoboken there are two classes in a model tenement-house. In Brooklyn the system was first taught in the Fourth-Street Industrial School, then in the Home for Destitute Children, and there will soon be a class in the Orphans' Home. In Boston there have been six classes, and another is in contemplation. One of these consists of the children of wealthy parents. In Philadelphia there is a very successful class in the Kinsley Hollow Mission. There is also a class in Chicago, and Miss Torrey, Miss Huntington's associate, has taught a normal class in Providence, R. I., and is now organizing a school in Troy, N. Y. She will soon go to Albany, and it is expected, to Pittsburg, Allegheny City, and Chicago, where it is hoped that classes will soon be at work under teachers taught by her. Finally, there is at least one class in Belfast, Ireland. Altogether, 600 children are now studying house-work under 70 teachers, and the number who have been taught since 1876 is very much larger. As to the effect of the teaching, Miss Dodge spoke very favorably. Many of the children first taught are now at service, and reports of commendation are constantly being received from their employers. In other cases the children have assumed the care of their previously neglected homes, and the parents are profuse in their acknowledgement of the service done them by the kitchen garden. Indeed, the parents have sometimes been more difficult to reach and regret that their size and age exclude them from the classes as at present formed. In conclusion, Miss Dodge said that encouraging as this record was, the number of inquiries by personal interview and correspondence give sufficient reason to believe that in the near future the number of kitchen-garden classes will be very largely increased. After transacting some business of minor importance the session then adjourned.

THE RESULTS OF A DOSE.

WHAT BEFELL TWO DRUG CLERKS WHO TAMPERED WITH A ROUNDSMAN.

On the night of the 6th inst. the liquor saloon of John Bode, at No. 357 West Twenty-sixth-street, was robbed of a revolver, a bronze figure, and some liquors and cigars. The burglars were surprised by Roundsman Darks and Officers Brannan and Heath, of the Sixteenth Precinct. Rushing to the rear of the premises, the thieves gained the yard of Dr. Reed's drug store, at No. 274 Ninth-avenue. Bursting into the bedroom of Leon McCollum and Henry W. Brown, the clerks, who slept in the rear of the store, the fugitives brandished a revolver and demanded exit by the front door. Scared by their threats, Brown opened the front door and let them out, and then returned to bed. The Police officers subsequently arrested Daniel Clifford, alias Thomas White, of No. 521 West Twenty-seventh-street, and James Reilly, of No. 334 West Twenty-sixth-street, and found a portion of Bode's stolen property in their possession. The drug clerks, McCollum and Brown, were subpoenaed before Justice Gildersleeve, and had to bail as witnesses against the burglars. When the case came before the Grand Jury, however, the evidence of the Police officers was such that McCollum and Brown were included as accessories in the indictment found against Clifford and Reilly. When the case was called in Court yesterday morning, Clifford and Reilly pleaded guilty, and Judge Cowing sent them to the Reformatory at Elmira. Mr. William F. Kinsing, counsel for McCollum and Brown, then asked that his clients be discharged, the facts only showing that one of them had, at the point of a loaded pistol, allowed the burglars to pass through the drug store. Judge Cowing said the officers had stated that the drug clerks refused to tell which way the burglars had gone. "Your Honor," said Mr. Kinsing, "I can explain the hostile feeling of one of the officers in this case. Roundsman Darks was in the habit of going to Dr. Reed's store every day for a glass of soda-water. The drug clerks became tired of his daily visits, and in order to cure his weakness for soda-water, Brown fixed up a 'dose,' the effects of which, on the roundsman, were anything but pleasant. Roundsman Darks swore he would get square with Brown if it took him 10 years, and he has done so by making him and his companion accessories to a crime." Judge Cowing discharged the clerks, and ordered a nolle prosequi to be entered in their case.

THE SUIT AGAINST TILDEN.

NOTICE FOR TRIAL AND SUBPOENAS ISSUED TO VARIOUS WITNESSES.

The trial of the suit of the United States against Samuel J. Tilden, being the action in which the Government seeks to recover arrears of income tax, has been noticed for trial in the United States District Court for the April term, beginning April 26. Tuesday last subpoenas duces tecum were issued by Judge Choate and delivered to Deputy United States Marshal Bernhard for service. They were directed to Samuel J. Tilden, Conrad N. Jordan, William A. Booth, Jacob Hayes, George W. Smith, James T. Closson, Edward Winslow, and Charles Lanier. Mr. Tilden is required to produce in court all books, receipts, entries, and memoranda in writing which are in his possession or under his control, which show any of his profits or money receipts or the condition of his pecuniary affairs from Dec. 31, 1861, to Jan. 1, 1873, and all books or writings showing his receipts and profits from his interest in the New-York Iron Mining Company from June 1, 1864, to Jan. 1, 1873. Mr. Lanier, of the firm of Winslow, Lanier & Co., is directed to produce all books and other writings of the firm which show the facts relating to Mr. Tilden's accounts and profits arising from the purchase and sale of stocks and bonds of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company, the Ohio and Indiana Railroad Company, and the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company, between Dec. 31, 1861, and Jan. 1, 1873. Messrs. Booth and Jordan are respectively President and Cashier of the Third National Bank, and they are required to produce all books and other documents or writings in their possession or under their control relating to Mr. Tilden's accounts with the bank between Jan. 1, 1861, and Jan. 1, 1873. Mr. Smith is Mr. Tilden's private secretary, and is also Secretary of the New-York Iron Mining Company, and he is directed to produce the books and papers of that concern for the same period.

A STEAM-SHIP LIBELED.

The British steam-ship Star of Scotia was libeled yesterday in the sum of $145,000 on an attachment issued out of the United States District Court. The action is brought by Nicolo Micanovich and others, as owners of the Austrian bark Sansago. They allege that on the night of March 9, 1880, while the bark was about 60 miles south of the Abacoen Light, on the voyage from Marseilles to Boston, she was run down by the Star of Scotia and became a total loss, and that the collision occurred through the negligence of the persons navigating and in control of the large vessel. The Star of Scotia is lying at Martin's Stores, Brooklyn. No lives were lost by the collision.

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, March 17.—In the Court of Appeals to-day, the following business was transacted: No. 139—Henry P. Denike et al., appellants, vs. the New-York Rensselaw Lime and Cement Company et al., respondents; argued by John J. Maslin for appellants, Henry C. Wells and George E. Hooper for respondents. No. 135—Isaac Kunz et al., appellants, vs. Ezra Baldwin, respondent; submitted. No. 77—Henry Schile, respondent, vs. William Brokhane, appellant; argued by John A. Sivan for appellant, William F. Pitzke for respondent. No. 118—The People ex rel. George W. Kenyon, respondents, vs. James Satterland, excellent; submitted.

The following is the day calendar for Thursday, March 18: Nos. 113, 117, 120, 137, 144, 145, 146, 148.

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SENATE.

ROGER A. PRYOR'S DISABILITIES.

Mr. BAYARD, of Delaware, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill to remove the political disabilities of Roger A. Pryor, and asked its present consideration. There being no objection, the bill was read a third time and passed.

THE STAR ROUTE DEFICIT.

The morning hour having expired, the Senate resumed the consideration of the Star Route Deficiency bill, the pending question being on the committee's amendment prohibiting an increase of trips on the star routes during the remainder of the fiscal year.

After some debate the amendment was rejected—yeas 28, nays 32.

The amendment prohibiting expedition of service to a rate of pay exceeding 50 per cent. of the original contract price was agreed to.

Mr. DAVIS, of West Virginia, submitted, for the Committee on Appropriations, an additional section appropriating $50,000 for the public printing, including cost of printing the *Congressional Record*, it being a part of the deficiency for the current fiscal year. Mr. Davis stated that a bill was pending in the House appropriating $400,000 to cover the whole existing deficiency, but might not get through so soon as this bill, and an immediate appropriation of some amount should be made for necessary printing.

The amendment was agreed to.

The question then recurred on the following amendment, proposed by the committee, to supersede the preamble: "Nothing in this act contained shall be deemed or construed as a ratification of any unlawful act or omission of any officers of the United States, or affect any proceedings thereon."

Mr. KIRKWOOD, of Iowa, moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "ratification" the words "or condemnation," and striking out the word "unlawful."

Mr. DAVIS said he would accept the amendment.

Mr. BLAINE—Why put the clause in, then, if it is to mean nothing at all—neither condemns nor approves!

Mr. DAVIS—We think the bill will be cleaner, and may be some hands will be cleaner with it in.

Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, opposed Mr. Kirkwood's amendment. It asserted that the Senate did not condemn the department's action, and, therefore, by implication, approved it.

When the vote was taken on Mr. Kirkwood's amendment, Mr. EATON, of Connecticut, called for the yeas and nays, saying it such a foolish clause as this were inserted it should be by a recorded vote.

The amendment was rejected—yeas 28, nays 34.

The question then recurred on the committee's amendment.

Mr. EDMUNDS, of Vermont, favored the amendment. The Appropriations Committee had stated that they believed the department had violated law. He did not intend to express any opinion on that question, but he did not intend to vote for an appropriation which was practically a condonation of the offense, if one had been committed, and an invitation to offend again. He wished Congress to reserve its judgment.

Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, moved to amend the committee amendment so as to read: "Nothing in this act contained shall be deemed or construed to affect the validity or legality of the act or omission of any officer of the United States, or to affect any proceeding therefor." He said it was thought by some that this language was better in a legal sense than that of the committee, and it made no offensive imputations.

Mr. BECK said the committee had no objection to the amendment.

Mr. Conkling's amendment was agreed to, and the committee amendment, as thus amended, was agreed to.

Mr. DAVIS, of West Virginia, for the committee, asked leave to withdraw the preamble, which was granted.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, without a division. The bill, as passed, is as follows:

Be it enacted, &c.: That the sum of $1,100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to meet the expenses of inland mail transportation on star routes for the remainder of the current fiscal year. During the remainder of the current fiscal year no further expediting of service on any postal star route shall be made.

SEC. 2. That the further sum of $100,000 is appropriated as aforesaid to enable the Postmaster-General to place service authorized by law; provided, that if the Postmaster-General shall not hereafter have the power to expedite the service under any contract, either heretofore or hereafter given, the pay shall not be in excess of 50 per cent. upon the contract as originally let.

SEC. 3. That the sum of $50,000 is appropriated as aforesaid for the public printing, including the cost of printing the *Congressional Record*, it being a part of the deficiency for the current fiscal year.

SEC. 4. Nothing in this act contained shall be deemed or construed to affect the validity or legality of the acts or omissions of any officer of the United States, or to affect any proceeding therefor.

THE HOT SPRINGS BILL.

Mr. GARLAND, of Arkansas, moved that the Senate take up the House bill for the establishment of titles in Hot Springs, and for other purposes. Agreed to.

The Senate then went into executive session, and when the doors were reopened, adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THE EAST RIVER BRIDGE.

Mr. REAGAN, of Texas, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, reported the resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information in his decision on the question of the bridge now being erected over the East River, at New-York and his opinion as to whether said bridge is not an obstruction to commerce. Adopted.

THE DEFICIENCY BILL DEBATE.

The morning hour having been dispensed with, the House went into Committee of the Whole on the Deficiency Appropriation bill.

Mr. HAYES, of Illinois, a member of the Committee on Printing, defended the Public Printer from the attacks made upon him. The cost of the department and fraud was raised for the purpose of enabling the Democrats to get possession of the Printing-office.

Mr. GARFIELD, of Ohio, defended the present system of public printing. One of the saddest experiences in the history of the American people had been the old contract system, in which it had been developed, without controversy, that in the four years preceding Abraham Lincoln's Administration, out of the profits of the public printing, $100,000 had been contributed for political purposes. But he wished to speak of a more important matter than the public printing. His colleague from Ohio [Mr. McMahon] had made a statement, and that statement remained uncontradicted, that the Democratic Party had not in this bill, nor did it in any future bill, make any appropriation whatever for special Deputy Marshals, either as to the past or as to the future. He [Mr. McMahon] had further declared that it made no difference to him or to his party whether the law was constitutional or not, and recognizing the fact that the Supreme Court—the only tribunal which could declare on the constitutionality of the law—had declared that that law was constitutional, he had undertaken to throw contempt upon it by referring to it as an 8 to 7 decision. It was a 7 to 2 decision. The decision of law was now the law of the land, and the gentleman, speaking for his party in this House, had arisen, not on the plea that the law was unconstitutional, and had declared that the Democratic Party would not execute it. Congress, which was the law-making power of the land, before it took its first step in legislation, was sworn before God and before the country, to support the supreme law of the land, was invited by the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. McMahon] to lead the lawbreakers of the land. He had announced his purpose to break them, and invited Congress to associate itself with him in breaking the laws. By far the greatest danger to the Republic to-day was the spread of law breaking. It was hardly tolerated on the Sand Lots of San Francisco, and the chief law-breaker there had taken, yesterday, an immense step toward the perpetual servitude that does Congress pay to Denis Kearney and his associates if it announces itself as the leader of the law-breakers of America! His colleague had set the example before the people of proposing deliberately and with clear-sighted purpose ahead, to violate the law of the land. He hoped to nullify the law. Did his colleague reflect that he must vitiate every election when he succeeded in breaking the law? Suppose his lead were followed! A demand of the people for special Deputies was refused. Did he not see a possibility of vitiating every election in that way? And yet he would destroy the validity of all Congressional elections rather than not enjoy the pleasure of being the leader of the law-breakers of the land. He [Mr. Garfield] should deem it cowardly and dishonorable in him if he shirked behind his legislative privilege to disobey a provision of the supreme law of the land. The issue had been somewhat toned down from last year, but it was none the less dangerous. He would gladly waive all party advantages for the sake of that sweet, calm, manly spirit that ought to reign in this hall, of everybody obeyed the law. But if leaders on the other side announced that they would still rush on their fate, still pass upon the American people the issue, that because they happened not to like the law, because they could not approve the character of the law, they would not let it be carried out, it was high time that the American people should know it. Here came in the Democratic party and said: "Any part of the law which we cannot repeal, and do not like, we will disobey." The Constitution said that the law should stand in majesty, in dignity, and authority. Would the Democratic Party, in spite of the Constitution, say that if the laws stood it should be a waste, a ruin, an obelisk crumbling under its displeasure, but which could not be removed by its power? In all quarters of this country civilized society was becoming honeycombed through with dangerous elements. All these things were shaking the foundations of the Republic and breaking up the good order of society. And in a time like this more than any other, it was necessary for a body of law-givers, in their right mind, to say that the land on the side of the law and become the defenders, and not the destroyers, of it, and yet now, for some supposed party advantage, his colleague [Mr. McMahon] announced, and no one on the other side had said him nay, that the Democratic Party had not in the past stood, and in the future would not obey, the law of the land, which the Constitution had just crowned with the dignity of assent and the authority of sanction. If he chose to go before the country with that plea in his mouth, he [Mr. Garfield] would regret it for the country's sake; but if he backed only the party's sake, he would give him joy. Congress had had a Winter to freeze out and a Summer to thaw its coldness. It had had the drole of the year, and yet all the fury coarse of the stars seemed to have shed their influence on his friend [Mr. McMahon] to no purpose, instead of the fire him to deeper madness, and rush him on to a sudden fate. He [Mr. Garfield] trusted that there would be yet found some response on the other side that would prevent this catastrophe. He would gladly give up party advantage for the sake of strengthening the foundations of law and order, and therefore he appealed to gentlemen on the other side to prevent the disaster which their party leader was leading his party to. He had spoken in earnest for the common country, and he hoped and believed before the day was over that there would be such a vote in this chamber on this bill as would set at rest forever this miserable business—these pendings of the recreant extra session.

Mr. BURROWS, of Michigan, argued, from the opening speech of the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. McMahon] on this bill, that it was the deliberate, deep-seated purpose of the Democratic Party to nullify such laws as did not meet with their approval. The meaning of it was, he said, that it was part of the great scheme of the Democratic Party to get control of the Government. It was the determination of the Democratic Party to seize the Government at all hazards. He predicted that the effort would be made. They could track that party from the South over burning homes and bloody graves, and would track it up the very steps of the Capitol. As a result, that party had got both branches of Congress, and now the Presidency was to be seized. The Democratic Party expected, with the aid of free fraud, and with the removal of all supervision over elections, to carry States enough in the North to nullify the South. He gave the notice to the gentlemen on the other side that if they adhered to their policy of repudiating and nullifying the laws, they would do neither—that is, obtain the control neither of Congress nor of the Presidency in the next election.

Mr. SPRINGER, of Illinois—That is the way that you succeeded in stealing two or three States in the last Presidential election.

Mr. HUMPHREY, of Wisconsin, endeavored, in an inaudible laugh, to reply to Mr. Springer's remark, but the voices of both gentlemen were drowned in the continuous rattle of the Chairman's gavel and in laughter and calls to order from both sides of the House, in the midst of which, Mr. WEAVER, of Iowa, rose and "in the name of the third party demanded order."

Mr. McMAHON, of Ohio, replied to Mr. Garfield and Mr. Burrows—referring to the former as "the oily member from Ohio."

Mr. GARFIELD intimated that his colleague was speaking "autobiographically."

Mr. McMAHON went on to say that Mr. Garfield should have better schooled the gentlemen who had preceded and followed him. (Messrs. Hayes and Burrows.) These gentlemen had offered direct insults to individual members of the Democratic Party, and to the party as a party, and those insults were base lies. [Derisive laughter on the Republican side.] He referred his colleague to the history of the Republican Party in Ohio, and to its long record of nullification on the question of the Fugitive Slave law. [More laughter on the Republican side.] The Republican Party was a plea, that the Republican Party was then only in its infancy! He believed that the impartial judgment of the public would be in favor of the leaders of the Republican Party 15 or 20 years ago as compared with those of to-day. Did Republican leaders look upon themselves as responsible for what had taken place during 20 years? He warned them that it would do them no good to undertake to flaunt the bloody shirt before the American people. It was a worn-out, tattered and faded garment. He wished that there should come it could be met by a united country. These intestinal divisions only invited attack (which would come sooner or later) from combined foreign powers; and in the meantime the ports of Boston and New-York, every other seaport town in this country were open to attack from the iron-clad fleets of any European power. He said that the

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in this region, warmer, clear, or partly cloudy weather, northerly winds, veering to south-easterly, lower barometer.

A long and excited political debate took place in the House yesterday on the Deficiency bill, in which Messrs. GARFIELD and BURROUGHS, on the Republican side, and Mr. MACMAHON, on the Democratic side, participated. Mr. GARFIELD made a strong and logical speech. He turned his attention especially to the change in the situation as it existed at the time of the extra session, which has been made by the decision of the Supreme Court. To ignore this decision, to pretend to the right to disregard it, he showed to be simply a policy of lawlessness. He declared it to be, as we pointed out when the bill was introduced, only a dangerous form of Kearneyism. The Democrats are extremely shy of this point. Mr. MACMAHON contented himself yesterday with a declaration of his personal views regarding the duty of making appropriations, but in his remarks on the 12th inst. he said: "I doubt whether the Democratic Party will ever appropriate any money for special Deputies so long as the law stands in its present shape," and he also claimed that the question of the constitutionality of the Election laws was still an open one for Congress. "Although the court has decided the constitutionality of the law, when we come, as legislators, to appropriate money, it is our duty to say, is this law constitutional?" It would be interesting, in the light of this declaration, to know what authority would convince the Democratic Party of its duty to obey a law which it does not like.

It is somewhat unfortunate for the influence of Gov. CORNELL that he should thus early in his official career have given ground for derisive allusions to his "kitchen cabinet." Gov. TILDEN was credited with maintaining a similar clique of busy-bodies, whose dictatorial airs were mightily offensive to old-time Democrats. But TILDEN'S cabal comprised at least some brains, and that is more than can be said for the gossips who enjoy the confidence of Gov. CORNELL. It was they who sustained the Governor in his nomination of JOHN F. SMYTH, it was they who originated the precious plan of keeping SMYTH in office by a failure to appoint his successor, and it is they who appear to be the *prime movers in the amendments* to the New-York charter. It ought to be evident to Gov. CORNELL that his usefulness will be very seriously impaired should he persist in accepting the promptings of a junta of petty political traders as the voice of his party. The temper of the majority in neither house is favorable either to the dictation of a clique or the rule of an autocrat. The Governor must make an effort to rise above the level of the ward politician, unless he is prepared to find his purposes thwarted and his influence ignored.

The little band of monopolists who are struggling to retain the privilege of charging for wood-pulp three times its cost of production have attempted to identify the whole body of paper-manufacturers with the maintenance of their power of extortion. The fact ought to be sufficiently obvious to the Ways and Means Committee, and to members of Congress generally, that it is as much the interest of the paper trade to have cheap pulp as it is to have sheap rags. Both come to them under the category of raw materials, and they are quite as little disposed as the newspaper proprietors of the country to be taxed for the benefit of Representatives RUSSELL and MILLER and their associates, who are growing rich under the double protection of a patent and a heavy duty. Neither the royalty on the manufacture of pulp nor the duty on its importation exists anywhere else than in the United States, and newspapers in England and Canada are, because of their freedom from this tax for private benefit, printed on paper which costs 35 per cent less than the market price here. The general body of paper-manufacturers may take little active share in the movement against the pulp monopolists because of their ability to shift the tax on other shoulders, but they are none the less aware of its effect in lessening their power to cope with foreign producers, and in casting upon them a share of the odium which attaches to the few manufacturers who profit by a thoroughly indefensible imposition.

The resolutions adopted yesterday by the Produce and the Butter and Cheese Exchange agree in condemning any attempt to regulate railroad tariffs, by State legislation, and in recommending that any such legislation as is proposed by the Hepburn bill should be of a national character and emanate from Congress. The argument in both cases is that, were that bill to become law, the railroads of this State would be hampered in their competition with the lines of transportation in adjoining States, and that great injury would thereby accrue to the commercial interests of this City. The resolution adopted by the Produce Exchange was introduced at the instance of one of the two firms which, according to the report of the Assembly committee, control the grain trade of New-York, in virtue of their ability to bring grain from the West at 2½ to 5 cents per hundredweight lower than any other house in the trade, and which, according to the report of the Chamber of Commerce, are "driving their competitors to the wall with absolute certainty, *breaking down and crushing out the energy* and enterprise of the many for the benefit of the favored few." It may be well to read the resolutions in the light of such facts, however sound may be the general conclusion that the equalizing of railroad freights is a matter rather for national than State legislation.

DEMOCRATIC SCHEMES.

The partisan majority in the Senate Committee on Elections has raised the important question whether the Senate has the right to be the "judge of the elections, returns, and qualifications of its own members," as provided in the fifth section of the first article of the Constitution. If the Senate has the right to be the judge of these things, then its judgment, rendered after proper examination of the facts, and based deliberately on the merits of the case, cannot be reversed. It is in its nature final and conclusive. Otherwise the title of any member, whose election should be disputed, would be, during his entire term, at the mercy of a majority vote, and there could be no assured stability or consistency in the character of the Senate. The Constitution expressly requires that after the right of a member of either branch of Congress to his seat has been accepted by the body to which he belongs, he cannot be expelled except by the "concurrence of two-thirds." But to dispossess a Senator by upsetting the formal and deliberate judgment of the Senate is essentially the same as to expel him. The former it is now proposed to do by a majority vote, and such a course is as clearly unconstitutional, as clearly contrary to public policy and to every consideration of justice, consistency, and dignity on the part of the Senate, as would be the expulsion of a Senator by a like vote.

The ground on which the validity of Senator KELLOGG'S title to his seat was originally disputed was the alleged illegality of the Legislature by which he was chosen. That question has been determined by the only body which had the right to pass upon it, and in the exercise of that right the power of the Senate was exhausted. Mr. KELLOGG took his place by a title as completely established and as irreversible as that of any other Senator. The Committee on Elections has undertaken to reopen the question. At first it turned its attention to a charge of corruption on the part of Senator KELLOGG, but judging from the character of the resolution which has been adopted by the committee this charge has been abandoned. The committee simply claims the right to undo what the Senate has done, to examine exactly the same questions of legality in the State Legislature, and to overthrow the judgment which had been announced and acted upon. Nothing more arbitrary, or more opposed to the principle and practice of the Senate, could be imagined. If it is indorsed by the majority, there is an end to anything like stability in the composition of the Senate. The majority must set a precedent which will enable any succeeding majority, on whichever side it may lie, to deprive any member of the Senate of his seat on the most frivolous grounds of dispute. The motive for this extraordinary pretension is perfectly well understood. It is the Democratic desire to retain the control of the Senate, which, under the operation of continual Republican victories, is gradually and surely slipping from their hands. They foresee the time when the balance of political power in that body will rest in the uncertain hand of DAVID DAVIS of Illinois, even if it do not incline decisively to the Republican side. It is to guard against this result, in other words, to defeat the will of the people, which is being constantly more plainly expressed for the restoration of a Republican majority, that the Democrats have set up their monstrous claim. They know that they possess the brute power of a voting majority sufficient to carry out their purpose. They think they can count on the servile co-operation of all the Democratic Senators, no matter how high a tone of impartiality and independence some of them may assume at times when no direct partisan interest is at stake. But, happily for the country, no such plot can be carried to a successful consummation without a full exposure of its nature, its motives, and its consequences. The gag-rule known as the previous question does not exist in the Senate, and the majority cannot stop the mouths of the minority. Among the latter there are men of sufficient ability, energy, and skill to make the work cut out by the committee for the majority a very unpleasant and risky one. The Democrats may succeed in robbing Senator KELLOGG of his seat, but they will do so at the peril of arousing a public indignation and distrust which will make them pay very dearly for their advantage.

Quite of a piece with this plan for perpetuating their power in the Senate is the purpose apparently entertained by the Democrats with reference to counting the Presidential vote. That purpose, as indicated by their obstinate refusal to report any rational mode of settling disputes which are only too likely to arise, is to keep for the partisan majority in the two houses every possible opportunity to count in their candidate. At the last regular session a bill was passed by the Senate which recognized the right of each State to determine, if it would, any dispute which should arise as to the vote of its Electors. The principle of the bill commanded the approval of the best lawyers of the Senate in each political party. It received the votes of the most conservative and patriotic Senators, Democratic as well as Republican, represented by Mr. BAYARD on the one side and Mr. EDMUNDS on the other. The bill failed in the House. Since then, the power to renew it, or to bring in another bill, has rested exclusively with the majority. In the Senate, it has not been exercised. In the House it has been abused by the introduction of a bill which strips the States of all authority whatever in the matter, and practically throws the control of Presidential elections, irrespective of the vote of the people or the States, into the hands of a partisan majority in the two houses of Congress. This bill has not been pressed. It is evidently the intention of the Democrats to refuse all action in the matter until the results of the next election are known in detail, and then to pass such a measure as will give them the greatest possible power over the declaration of those *results. They may find, however, in this* case, as in the one to which we have already alluded, that the people of the country will have something to say as to the consummation of their scheme, and will express their purpose in a way which no party would dare to try to evade or overthrow.

A TAX ON THRIFT.

If we are reduced to the deplorable alternative of having the Legislature attempt nothing for the simplification and improvement of our present cumbersome and inquitous system of taxation, or of having it meddle only to muddle and make worse, it had better by all means let the matter alone until the experiment can be tried of getting a few men into that body who have some comprehension of the elementary principles involved. The joint committee has thus far developed activity only to exhibit its pre-eminent incapacity for the work it has undertaken. It seems to be dominated by the one fallacious idea that in order to adjust the burden of taxation equitably, it is necessary to get at every species of property, tangible or intangible, and everything that represents property or a right to property, existing under the jurisdiction and protection of the State, and levy tribute upon it. None of its members appear to understand that the subject of taxation is not the great mass of inanimate possessions, which are under the protection of law and must pay for that inestimable privilege, but the citizens of the State, who are presumed to be protected and benefited in person and property, and who should share in the expense of public administration according to their several abilities. The simple end to be kept in view should be to distribute and adjust the burden of necessary taxation equitably and in such a way that the pressure will be diffused in proportion to the strength of those who bear it. The attempt to accomplish this in any part by taxing everything in the shape of personal property that has an existence, and then to tax everything that represents a title to the future possession of any part of the same property, has has been a dire failure. It encourages perjury, produces evasion of obligations on an enormous scale, and results in the most glaring inequalities.

The proposition to tax the deposits of savings banks and the surplus and gross income of life insurance companies, contemplates an exaggeration of inequality which would put an enormous pressure upon those least able to bear it, and from whom it is both unjust and inexpedient to require it. The savings banks and life insurance companies afford a shining mark for legislators whose ideas of taxation are such as we have described. They are under a rigid State supervision, intended for the security of depositors and policy-holders, a class for which the State has always professed a peculiar solicitude. A record of their receipts and assets is public property. They cannot conceal them or evade any exaction that the law may put upon them, and consequently they are an easy and convenient object for attack. While millions in the hands of capitalists may escape the assessors, the small savings of the prudent that are stored up for future emergencies for themselves or their families are easy of access in the *hands of the institutions to which they are* intrusted for investment and security. Though the tax would be nominally laid on these "moneyed" institutions, it does not require more than the moderate reasoning power of the average New-York legislator to see that it must come out of the depositors of the savings banks and the policy-holders of the insurance companies. The institutions can make an income only for the benefit of these classes. To them their profits and surplus funds belong. Burdens can be borne only at their expense. To exact a tribute of one-fourth of 1 per cent. from the deposits of savings banks is to reduce the very moderate interest which can be allowed by at least 5 per cent. The tax falls largely upon the poor and industrious, upon laboring men, upon widows and orphans, and it acts as a direct discouragement to thrift. Wherever it does not lessen their small income from savings, it must operate to impair the security of their investment, and it is calculated to shake their confidence in institutions which are supposed to have the fostering care of the State. One practical effect will be to diminish deposits and all the incidental benefits derived from the encouragement of thrifty habits, to induce withdrawals, and to drive out of the State not only funds sent here from other quarters for investment and use, but those belonging here which may find more profit and security elsewhere. The public outside of the legislative halls does not need to be reminded of the peculiar sensitiveness of savings banks, or of the disastrous consequences of throwing needless burdens upon them.

The case is much the same with life insurance companies managed on the mutual plan. Their receipts are the money of policy-holders of every class, whose object is to make provision for their families against an inevitable contingency in human experience. Their surplus belongs also to the policy-holders, and any dividends paid from it goes to them, while its maintenance is an assurance of stability and safety. A tax levied upon it must lessen security or raise premiums, and such a law as that proposed is calculated to shake the faith of the people in institutions which need every safeguard, and to drive them to lay up their savings against the inevitable day somewhere outside of the State of New-York. While this tax would be a certainty so far as revenue is concerned, though the revenue would be a diminishing one, it would result in indirect loss and injury to the State for which this would be no adequate recompense. We cannot believe that either of these measures will pass the Legislature, but the fact that they have been seriously proposed is calculated to destroy what little faith we might have cherished for any judicious action by the Joint Committee on Taxes and Assessments, and that is a depressing result.

KELLY'S LATEST DEFIANCE.

Mr. JOHN KELLY authorizes his friends of the *Tribune* to say that, under no circumstances whatever, will he condone fraud. A reporter of the newspaper in question having waited upon Mr. KELLY, in order to see *what he desired to say to the public, the Controller of Tammany blandly said: "Under* no circumstances will Tammany Hall support Mr. TILDEN as nominee for the Presidency." The "Boss" added that Tammany has the moral support of many Democrats throughout the country, and that a Tammany delegation will be sent to the National Convention at Cincinnati.

It is hardly necessary for Mr. KELLY to issue this his latest fulmination. Everybody knows, or ought to know, that he will never condone fraud to the extent of supporting Mr. TILDEN. In season and out of season, the illustrious manager of Tammany Hall has announced his determination to never, never, &c. But, coming as it does on the heels of Mr. KELLY'S recent successful burglary of the *Express* office, his "damnable iteration" has a certain significance. It will be agreed on all hands, that Mr. KELLY does not run a newspaper for amusement. His recent experience with the *Express* amply proves that he does not go into the business for the purpose of making money. His conduct shows that he wants a newspaper organ merely to work his will in the Democratic politics of New-York. He is not a candidate so much as he is a foe to the candidacy of others—that is to say, TILDEN. At the recent reunion of the National Democratic Committee, in Washington, the chief topic of discussion was the condition of New-York politics. It was felt that without this State no Democratic candidate for the Presidency has the ghost of a chance in the next election. And that, so long as the party in this State is divided, it cannot carry its candidate. JOHN KELLY thinks he holds the key of the situation: the party shall not be united under the candidacy of TILDEN.

It is not for the interest of Republicans that there should be a union of the discordant elements of the Democratic Party. Speaking after the manner of men, it is none of our business how bitterly and uncompromisingly KELLY opposes TILDEN. Nevertheless, from that high moral vantage ground which every true Republican occupies, it must be seen that Mr. KELLY is simply an anarchist. He will go to a National Convention of his party with a delegation at his back, not for the purpose of nominating a candidate, but to prevent the nomination of one whom he specifies. It is not that he likes his party less, but that he hates TILDEN more, that he persists in carrying his guerrilla warfare into a National Convention. He has secured a newspaper for the purpose of keeping up the fight. From his literary bureau in the office of the *Express*, he purposes to issue "broadsides," appeals, and threats to the Democracy of the country, forever saying "KELLY will never, never condone fraud." It is intended that the division in the New-York Democracy shall be a fatal one. There are bickerings and dissensions in the party in other States. Here, at least, it is of the first importance. This factitious prominence of the Tammany chieftain will be made much of before the fight ends! It suits the humor of Mr. KELLY, the selfish, brawling, pig-headed, and opinionated "Boss," to be quoted as a man who is irreconcilable, unforgiving, and who stands in the way of the success of somebody else, immovable and unmoved. The original cause of quarrel seems to have been left quite out of sight. Nobody cares to remember why KELLY and TILDEN fell out, it was so long ago. Possibly, Mr. KELLY does not have very clear ideas on this subject. It must be remembered that he tried to prevent TILDEN'S nomination at St. Louis, in 1876, and it is not likely that he has forgotten why he took that course. But, generally speaking, KELLY continues to fight TILDEN because he fought him in 1876, and has ever since been in the habit of doing it. If anybody were to ask Mr. JOHN KELLY why he opposes TILDEN, he would probably be at loss for a reply. TILDEN has the effect of a red rag on a mad bull, in the mind of the Tammany "Boss." It is his business to be enraged whenever he hears the name of the Cipherer of Gramercy Park. Nevertheless, this does not prove anything except the special unfitness of JOHN KELLY to be a leader of men.

We have our own little party dissensions. But we have no Kelly among us. No Republican says that he will go into the next National Convention of his party without being ready to pledge his hearty support to any candidate that may be named. The person who to-day is unquestionably the strongest man in the Democracy of New-York City, if not of the State, openly advertises his intention to bolt the Democratic ticket nominated at Cincinnati, if Mr. TILDEN is at the head of it. With all the weaknesses and frailties of the Republican Party, it has nothing in it quite so bad as this.

THE DECLINE OF BUTTONS.

There can be but one opinion among close scientific observers as to the ultimate fate of the button. It is doomed to complete extinction, and that at no very distant day. This is decidedly a matter upon which we may congratulate ourselves, for the button has been anything but a blessing to mankind.

The term button is loosely and erroneously applied to objects which are not buttons, and is often withheld from other objects which are true buttons. Thus the stud, when used to fasten a wristband, is commonly called a sleeve-button. It is obviously nothing of the sort, for the true button requires but a single button-hole, whereas the stud is useless without two button-holes. On the other hand, both hooks and eyes and clasps—meaning by the latter term a variety of hook and eye made to simulate to some extent a buckle—are undoubtedly buttons. They differ in shape from the common round button, but it is conceded by our best authorities that a button may be of any conceivable shape. What has led careless persons to fail to recognize them as buttons is the fact that they are used in connection with artificial instead of natural button-holes. The "eye" of a pair of hooks and eyes is merely an artificial button-hole, and the same may be said of that part of a clasp popularly called the "catch." CUVIER'S definition of the button as "a solid substance attached to one object and intended to be passed through an opening in another object, in order to connect the two together," clearly recognizes the hook and eye and the clasp as buttons, and as clearly rules out the stud, the bung, and the cork.

*The origin of buttons is lost in the dim distance of remote antiquity, but they un*doubtedly attained their widest diffusion in the middle of the present century. Since that time they have been gradually receding and yielding to other devices. There was a time when man, and for that matter, woman, was kept together chiefly by buttons. It has been estimated that twenty years ago every thoroughly dressed man carried about him no less than ninety-three necessary buttons, excluding those which, like the buttons on the back of the coat, are purely decorative. For obvious reasons it is impossible to arrive at the exact number of buttons worn at any time by women, but it has been estimated that the average woman of the year 1860 wore during the day-time two hundred and seven necessary buttons, while on full dress occasions a fashionable woman often added to these from eighteen to nineteen hundred decorative buttons.

The first indication that buttons were to be superseded was the appearance of a device for attaching masculine braces to the trousers band by a species of metallic clothes-pin. It was claimed by the advocates of this device that it rendered both buttons and button-holes unnecessary, and constituted a far more efficient system of connecting braces and trousers. In practice, however, it was found that to adjust the metallic clothes-pins was an operation requiring much time and great delicacy of manipulation, and that in many cases the clothes-pins would not hold their grasp, and were hence untrustworthy. This was fatal to them, for if there is one thing in which a man must feel absolute confidence, if he is to have any comfort in this world, it is his braces. They must be above suspicion, and they must be able to endure with safety a strain of at least ten tons, or else the wearer must refrain from all athletic sports, including those of tying his shoes and of picking up a lady's handkerchief. It is said that the clothes-pin device was adopted by those curious people who desire to substitute a complicated system of halyards and guys for the common garter as a means of keeping stockings in position. The halyard system was probably abandoned at the same time that the clothes-pin device fell into disuse, and we were thus saved from frequent repetitions of the awful disaster which a young lady of Boston sustained in consequence of her halyards becoming entangled with the handle of an umbrella, and thus— But the subject is too painful a one to be unnecessarily dwelt upon.

There can be no question that this system of fastening, the germ of which may be seen in the marine belaying pin, is destined to utterly drive out the button. As every one knows, the belaying pin is a stick projecting through the rail of a vessel, and thus presenting two ends, around which the running rigging is twisted and so made fast. Some few years ago an ingenious bootmaker applied this system to laced and buttoned boots. A row of metallic projections was placed on the edges of the two surfaces to be drawn together, and a string was twisted around these projections. The plan was found to work admirably. It soon totally superseded buttons and the ordinary style of lacing, in use in connection with boots and shoes. When its efficiency was thoroughly established, it was applied to ladies' gloves, thus banishing the excessive quantity of buttons which had gradually become an indispensable *feature of every well-made glove. Many* other fields formerly monopolized by buttons have been occupied by the new device, and it is even asserted by respectable authority that the corset—an article the very existence of which has been a disputed question among our best scientific men—is now held together by rows of metallic knobs and accompanying cords.

It is clear that before very long the button will be practically superseded by the knob and cord device. Probably, buttons will survive for decorative purposes, but they will cease to be used as fastenings. This is a result which all good men will hail with enthusiasm. For ages man's inability to sew on buttons has made countless women mourn. There is hardly a single industrious matron now living who has not employed, on an average, six hours every week in sewing on buttons, or in making or repairing button-holes. The amount of energy thus employed must have been enormous, and now that the promised abolition of buttons will enable the energy to be diverted into other channels great things may be done by intelligent women. Hard words and blasphemy on the part of men will be greatly lessened when fierce wrath against lost buttons no longer tears the soul, and we shall enter on a better and brighter existence when the last button has rolled away and vanished forever.

A SCHOOL FOR HOUSE-MAIDS.

It is not yet two years since THE TIMES noticed the first exhibition of an attempt to teach house-work to children of the poor upon an improved method. Within that time events have much more than justified all that was then said in commendation of the enterprise. The system was then taught in a single school, but it is now at work in eleven schools in this City alone, and there are also one or more classes in each of several cities, among them being Belfast, (Ireland,) Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, Hoboken, Brooklyn, and Troy, and preparations are in a forward state for the starting of classes in as many more places. As soon as the system had spread beyond the personal supervision of its author, a demand arose for text-books, and when they were published, they met with an equally ready appreciation. The first edition was an unpretentious pamphlet, and the last is a costly subscription volume, fit for any library or parlor, and intended for teachers' use. The managers have now found it necessary to organize an association for the purpose of securing uniformity in instruction, and acting as a centre of information, and an account of its first general meeting will be found in our news columns.

These facts are of special interest to the large number of people interested in charitable industrial education. In their full significance they concern, certainly in no less degree, every young girl now living in a tenement-house, but who expects to earn her living at service, and also every housekeeper who has been annoyed by the inefficiency of her maids. The number of girls who have been taught in these schools is now mounting into the thousands, and will soon be *largely increased, so that there is now be*ginning to be an ever-widening opportunity to judge the teaching by its fruits. Already, as will be seen from the report elsewhere printed, gratifying results have been attained. Not one employer of these students of house-work is known to have complained of her new servants, but many have expressed surprise and pleasure at their proficiency. Another circumstance, which experienced charitable workers among the poor will regard as at least equally important to the success of this comparatively new educational departure, is the fact that the children and their parents both favor it. As is well known, a compulsory law is necessary to gather a considerable percentage of children into the public schools. Doubtless, this is partly so because the children dislike school, but it is also in part because the poorer the parents are, the less likely are they to rate the value of an education even as high as the worth of the time which the children might spend in house-work, or in several kinds of labor at which even girl-children can earn something. But it does not take long to learn a great deal about house-work when it is studied on a system, nor is the study so irksome to rude minds as the pursuit of book-learning, while the increase of comfort at home or of earning power at service is so apparent and considerable that parents and children alike see the economic value of the scheme.

The need for such a training-school of house-work has been so long and so deeply felt that it is surprising that it was not sooner supplied. That house-work could be taught, and must be taught, every lady who has practically converted her home into a training-school very well knew to her cost. The difficulty seems to have been that no one saw how more than one scholar could be taught at once, and schools without classes on a large scale were clearly impossible. Miss EMILY HUNTINGTON, a New-England lady, who has long been engaged in practical work among the poor, solved the difficulty by taking a leaf from the kindergärtners' book. By supplying miniature beds and bed-clothing, for instance, she saw that any number of children could be taught at once. That is the key to her "kitchen-garden" system, which is nothing more or less than object lessons in house-work. The beauty of the system is that it begins at the beginning. In childhood, habits of action can easily be taught which it is almost impossible to escape from in after-life. That is the time when good servants can and should be made. To wait until, in the course of nature, a girl has arrived at the height of a broom-handle, and then to expect her, without instruction, to know how to sweep a carpet clean without also brushing off the nap and gloss, is an injustice and an absurdity. How should she know how to take care of silver and china, when she has probably always used tin and earthenware? Hereafter, graduation from a "kitchen-garden" will probably be regarded as a better diploma than a recommendation from an "intelligence office," and if the system continues to be well managed, it can scarcely fail to continue to deserve well of the public.

A crisis seems to be approaching in the tedious struggle of the South American Republics. Chili is said to be collecting forces for a descent on the Peruvian coast and a direct advance upon Lima, *which, if successful, will probably end the war at* once. It is a pity, however, that this weary and aimless conflict cannot be terminated like the siege of Carnesa a generation ago. FALKON, the besieging General, having proposed an exchange of prisoners to his adversary, JOSE PAEZ, the latter replied by shooting all his own prisoners in full view of the besieging army. FALKON announced the event to the captive officers in his hands, who answered by thanking him for his previous kindness, and expressing themselves ready to meet the death which they naturally expected. But the gallant General declared that, so far from imitating his enemy's cruelty, he set them free on the spot, that they might know how he, at least, respected the usages of war here. This generosity brought its own reward; for one of the released officers, a man of great local influence, at once raised his whole district in aid of FALKON, and was chiefly instrumental in bringing about the subsequent capitulation of the city.

Fuller reports of the "miracles" at Knock, County Mayo, Ireland, show them to be producing an excitement scarcely less than was created something less than ten years ago by similar occurrences in France. The little village is difficult of access, not being on a railway, but it is, nevertheless, thronged with visitors, not only from distant parts of Ireland, but from England and Scotland as well. Some come hoping to see the marvels renewed, some in curiosity, and will kneel in the mud before the holy place for that purpose for hours together; and others come to be cured of the more various infirmities. Not, it is said, are they disappointed. "Scores" of cripples have been left behind by those who declare that they have no doubt, and for them, and this is only a part of the reported cures, for the blind and deaf, the instances have no record of their recovery. Moreover, these events have the sanction of the Church. Archbishop CAVANAGH, who is described by an independent journal as the "Irish correspondent" of a daily newspaper as being too good to be a deceiver, and too keen to be easily deceived, is an uncompromising believer, and the Archbishop of Tuam, not being satisfied to discredit large numbers of the faithful, who through credulous belief imagination, are yet entirely separable, is investigating the subject. All that there is at least a chance that Roman Catholics throughout the world may be instructed to defer laws, as in the case of the apparition at Lourdes, which was stamped by the Pope. Of course, these facts, even if supplemented by any amount of additional evidence, will not convince people in general that these "miracles" ought to be spoken of without reputation marks, but they are, nevertheless, more worthy of attention than the sporadic cures of consumptive, nun and hysteric women, which are occasionally attributed to Divine interposition, even in this country. It will not do to reject the whole story, for parts of it are as well established as anything can be by human testimony. There can be no doubt, for instance, that on several occasions several unimposed witnesses, with no apparent motive to deceive, saw what they took to be miraculous lights, and said them the images of St. Joseph, St. John, and the Virgin, besides a cross and a lamb, and all standing without visible support on the gable end of a chapel. The images were not flat, such as might appear in the field of a superstitious magic-lantern, but stood out from the wall like solid bodies. Is it safe from the premises to object that there was no reason for these visions appearing to these witnesses at these special times, or to ask why the saints appeared, as they are conventionally represented in statues which cannot be portraits. If they could appear at all, no one can doubt their ability to appear when and how they might choose. How came they there at all, is the question? Supernatural intervention is the least likely explanation. As to the wonderful cures, it is not necessary to point out that some are incomplete, and that others are not well-established, for the books are full of cases in which great excitement on the powers of imagination have done what was beyond the power of doctors. It seems at once pitiable and ludicrous that any community can be found in this century in which such stories are deemed of importance. That the Church should countenance such marvels is a more serious matter, for it is nothing less than a defiance not only of men of science, but of all men who use ordinary methods of testing facts. On the whole, there is something greatly to *be admired in the German method of treat*ing miracle-workers. The children who saw the Virgin at Mirplaegen were straightway spanked, and the priests who profited by the vision were sent to jail as swindlers.

GENERAL NOTES.

Senator Sharon, of Nevada, who registers from San Francisco, Cal., reached Chicago from Washington on Monday.

The Wisconsin Senate has defeated a proposed temperance amendment to the State Constitution by a vote of 12 yeas to 14 nays.

For the Democrats to nominate Tilden would be a foolish blunder, in the opinion of the Richmond (Va.) *State*. There is no fight in him, it says.

The Boston *Traveller* thinks Mayor Prince of that city would be a strong man for Vice-President, in case the Democrats select a Western man to head their ticket.

The Cincinnati *Commercial* hears a report that the Hon. John A. Bingham, Minister to Japan, will resign and return home, with the intention of running for Congress in the Eighteenth District of Ohio.

The Chicago *Journal* suggests Washburne and Edmunds as a compromise Republican Presidential ticket, and the Chicago *Tribune* expresses the opinion that it would be a most excellent one, would carry New-York and Indiana, and could not be defeated by any ticket the Democrats could put up.

The Meriden (Conn.) *Republican* says that a bullet which Col. Upham received in his shoulder at Newbern N. C., 16 years ago this month, worked its way out on Monday morning. Col. Upham has undergone several operations for the removal of the bullet, but it was imbedded so deeply that it could not be found, though its presence was made manifest by many sharp twinges of pain.

The Cincinnati *Commercial* of Monday says: "There are statements that the Democratic committeemen who managed the contest on our behalf for the National Convention are in a state of dissatisfaction about hotel arrangements, and almost ready to send the Convention elsewhere. It seems to have been a part of the understanding that certain distinguished Democrats, representatives in committees of the several States, should be entertained here by the local committee. The terms of entertainment were not precisely adjusted, and the division of the favored guests among the several hotels is the matter of difficulty."

A Washington correspondent of the Boston *Traveller*, who was at the capital at the time of Fitz John Porter's trial, writes that he had two conversations with President Lincoln on the subject, and that the latter told him that he did not think Gen. Porter meant to be a traitor, or that he had any sympathy with the rebels, but he believed his feeling of disappointment and disgust at the removal of McClellan, and his bitter personal enmity toward Gen. Pope, caused him to sacrifice the Union cause, so far as his action was concerned, to gratify bitter feeling and personal malignity, and the practical effect of such indulgence of his feelings was just as disastrous to the Union arms as intentional treason would have been, and hardly less deserving of as severe punishment.

THE LOST OCCASION.

Extract from Whittier's poem in the April Atlantic.

Some die too late and some too soon,
At early morning, heat of noon,
Or the chill evening twilight. Thou,
Whom the rich Heaven did so endow
With eyes of power and Jove's own brow,
With all the massive strength that fills
Thy home-horizon's centre hills,
With street size of heart and head
Proportioned as Mont Blanc and Cheadle
From manliest stock inherited,
New England's stalliest type of man,
In port and speech Olympian;
Whose one look, met as it might, took
A manacled step and wandering look
Like turned, perchance, the eyes of Greece
On Phidias' unfinished masterpiece;
Whose words, in simplest home-spun dressed,
The Saxon strength of Cædmon's had,
With power renewed at need to reach
The Roman forum's loftiest speech,
Sweet with persuasion, eloquent
In passion, cool in argument,
Or ponderous, falling on thy foes
As fall the Norse god's hammer blows,
Crushing, as if with Talus' flail,
Through brass and iron, error's mail,
And failing only when they tried
The adamant of the righteous side,—
Thou, foiled in aim and hope, bereaved
Of old friends, by the new deceived,
Too soon for us, too soon for those,
Beside thy loved Northern pine,
Where long and low the marsh-lands spread,
Laid wearily down thy august head.

Thou shouldst have lived to feel below
Thy feet Disunion's force give way,—
The mis-serving alike that understand
Thy old compassionate variety made,
Thou shouldst have seen from Gettysburg's wall
The plaudits of the Union fall,
And armed Rebellion pressing on
The broken lines of Washington!
No stronger voice than thine had then
Called out the utmost might of men,
To make the Union's charters free
And strengthen law by liberty.
How had that score refreshment
To thy gray age youth's vigor lent,
Shaming ambition's paltry aims
Before thy stalwart manliness!
Thinking the spell about thee wound
Like the green withes that Samson bound,
Redeeming, in one effort grand,
Thyself and thy imperiled land!
Ah, cruel fate, that thus bereaves
O heavy-hearted Northern man,
The palms of opportunity!

But, where thy native mountains have
Their Sinai heads to divine air,
Fit emblem of enduring fame,
One lofty peak lifts above the storm
For thee the tomb forever full
The roaring of that tempest,
The grandest type shaping with
Fire, flood, and frost thy Monadnock
Sunrise and sunset lay thereon
With hands of light their benison,
The stars of midnight pause to set
Their jewels in its crown,
And evermore that mountain stands
Sacred to thee, as Moriah's summit
To Faith, as it to manifest
The soldier and the life in land

THE CHARTER AMENDMENTS

DISCUSSING THEIR VALUE IN ALBANY.

THE MEMBERS NOT EXACTLY COMPREHENDING THE BILL—TALKING ABOUT THE AUTHORSHIP—COMING FROM THE SAME SOURCE AS THE SMYTH NOMINATION—CHANCES OF ITS PASSAGE.

ALBANY, March 17.—The charter amendments, which were introduced in the Assembly and Senate yesterday, will probably command the attention of the members of the Legislature for several weeks to came. As yet, no one besides Mr. Varnum and Mr. Strahan appears to be familiar with the propositions contained in the amendments, unless, perhaps, the City Hall statesmen who gravitate between New-York and Albany, and who strut about with greater importance than crow, be taken into consideration. But Biglin, Patterson & Co. are not the Legislature. They do not even control the Senate, or reflect the sentiments of its members, although one would have supposed so a month ago, when they were confidently predicting the submission of the Senate to Gov. Cornell's dictation in the matter of the Insurance Department nomination. There is a majority of the Senators who have a wholesome suspicion of the "kitchen cabinet" as it is derisively styled, and when it is once understood that the charter amendments emanate from the same source as the Smyth nomination, and are to be pushed through very much in the same manner as it was designed to rush through John F. Smyth, there will be room for the prediction that the charter may suffer as bad a defeat as did the Insurance Superintendent.

It will scarcely do to repose too much confidence in the Assembly, if it is intended to employ it as a machine in advance the interests of John Kelly and "Jake" Patterson and their satellites. Very few of the New-York members can tell what the new charter proposes to do. They all feel that it is nothing more than a plan to make a new deal between the Tammany Democrats and the Tammany Republicans. If an attempt is made to push the bill through without explanation, there is good reason to expect that there will be what "Barney" Biglin would call a "kick." The Assembly contains a large number of men who are not easily deceived by a party shout. It may be that an effort will be made to solidify the Democrats against the bill, in order to convince the country Republicans that it is a hated measure in Democratic estimation, and that the Republicans ought, therefore, to support it. There have been some inquiries as to the paternity of the bill. Mr. Strahan and Mr. Varnum claim to be responsible for it. From other sources it has been reported that Gov. Cornell is the author of the bill. Mr. Biles was here to-day to oppose Mr. John W. Browning's claim to Robert H. Strahan's seat in the Senate. He not only says he is not the author of the charter amendments, but that he is against them, as an untenable proposition. From a Republican who assumes to know something about the bill, it is learned that it is not the work of one person, but of a firm. This firm is said to include not only Varnum and Strahan, but Gov. Cornell, Chester A. Arthur, "Jake" Patterson, John Kelly, "Barney" Biglin, "Johnny" O'Brien, "Boss" McCool, "Mike" Costigan, Solon B. Smith, and other "disinterested patriots." Furthermore, it is said to have received the sanction of the State Committee, and on the part of that body it is given out that the managers have undertaken to see that the Legislature, and particularly the Assembly, shall "act right" toward this tinkering scheme, and that every vote that is needed for it may be depended upon to be cast in its favor.

The Legislature may be ready to be used by by the Patterson Ring in New-York; it may even be anxious to display its brain in carrying out the little scheme laid for it by a few members of Republicans who are no better than their Tammany allies of the Democratic name; but it is just possible that when the time comes it will assert its independence and the manliness which intelligent men are presumed to have at command, and will fail to rally to the support of Patterson and his following. "The pin has been set to pass this charter," said one of the "kitchen cabinet" a day or two ago. It will be necessary for the Republican-Democratic managers in New-York to watch the "pin" very carefully, lest at an unguarded moment it should drop out and spoil their clumsy plan for distributing the patronage in New-York to Tammany hacks and their greedy Republican allies.

WORK IN THE TWO HOUSES.

A BILL EXTENDING THE LOW-RATE HOURS ON ELEVATED ROADS—THE SMYTH MATTER.

ALBANY, March 17.—Mr. Grosse, the author of the five-cent fare bill which passed the Assembly, has not been discouraged entirely by the defeat of the measure in the Senate. Believing that he can yet carry through a modification of his five-cent fare bill, he this morning introduced the following:

AN ACT relating to the elevated railroads in the City of New-York:

SECTION 1. From and after the passage of this act it shall be the duty of the persons or corporations operating elevated railroads in the City of New-York to start and run on each of their tracks daily, between the hours of 5 and 9 in the morning and the hours of 4 and 8 in the afternoon, at least one passenger train every three minutes, which commission trains shall be equipped in the same manner as the trains run during the balance of the day.

SEC. 2. The rate of fare for each passenger on said commission train shall not exceed 5 cents.

SEC. 3. For any violation of the provisions of this act, the person or corporation mentioned in section 1 shall forfeit to any person aggrieved thereby, the sum of $50, to be recovered in any court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

The General Appropriation bill occupied most of the time of the Senate. The bill was read through in committee, and, all amendments having been voted down, it was ordered to a third reading as it came from the Assembly.

During the session, Mr. Abel, the private secretary of the Governor, appeared with several communications from the Executive, which were supposed to contain important nominations, but on being opened in executive session they proved to be only the following: George W. Dunn and Theodore S. Armstrong, for Trustees of the Binghamton Asylum for the Chronic Insane, and Freeman Harris and Orville A. Mead for Loan Commissioners of St. Lawrence County. Senators are getting impatient over the Insurance Superintendent nominations, and, unless a nomination is sent in to-morrow or next day, a joint resolution will be offered for the removal of Smyth. It is rumored on good authority that the pressure in favor of keeping Smyth in office comes from Senator Conkling. He is unable to appreciate the points scoring against his favorite henchman, and thinks no heed should be paid to it.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections held a long session to-day on the contested case of Browning against Strahan. Judge Rosh, of New-York, appeared for Mr. Browning, and George Hilton, for Mr. Strahan. The majority of the members of the committee appeared to be that Mr. Browning failed to make out a very strong case. The hearing was continued, and the committee will report to-morrow or Friday.

FORGERY AND POISONING.

MAKING HIS FIRM'S MONEY AND ATTEMPTING HIS WIFE'S LIFE.

BOSTON, March 17.—Homer Wallington, who lately withdrew from the firm of Utley & Boynton, prominent commission merchants of this city, was arrested to-day at the instance of his father-in-law, Mr. Boynton, who charges him with various defalcations while a member of the firm, to the amount of $3,000 or $4,000, and with the forgery of notes. He was held in $40,000 on these charges.

For several months the members of the Wellington family at Cambridge have been seriously ill of various patients, the disease being called gastric fever by physicians. Wellington's infant died a few months ago, and lately his wife has been taken ill. Her symptoms were unusual, and she raved some at times, but her brother-in-law prevented her from. It has been alleged that arsenic was found in a bottle of food, and some, and Mrs. Wellington over her life to the coroner. Detectives state that Wellington's intimacy with another woman was the cause of the crime. He confessed that he had appropriated money of Utley Boynton, but denied poisoning his family. He stated that a friend named Hallett had bought him some arsenic to poison a cat, and that he threw away the remainder last December. A detective at this point took from Wellington's pocket a two-ounce bottle half full of arsenic. Wellington was held in $10,000 on a charge of forgery, and will appear before a Cambridge court on the charge of poisoning his wife.

AMUSEMENTS.

"LA FAVORITA" AT THE ACADEMY.

The second performance of "La Favorita" last night was the most brilliant representation of opera that has been given under Mr. Mapleson's auspices. There was nothing wanting to complete the occasion. The house was filled in every portion with an audience of the most enthusiastic character, and the artists were inspired by the favor with which they were received. It was, in several respects, a better rendering of the opera than the first, for every singer was in perfect voice, and the work was given more smoothly. The applause showered on the principal artists, which in the case of Signor Campanini amounted to an extraordinary ovation, was as unusual as it was deserved, and the occasion will be remembered by all who were so fortunate as to be present as a notable event in operatic annals, not only for the facilities, manner in which the music was rendered, but for the magnificent acting of Signor Campanini and the spirit with which the principals entered into the dramatic situations of the opera, as if they had caught their inspiration from him. Miss Cary's Leonora is one of her strongest characters and as the music lies in the range of her voice, she delivers it easily, with the additional charm which perfect familiarity gives. The cavatina "O mio Fernando" was sung effectively with a richness of tone that was thoroughly delightful, and in the finale and duo with Fernando she was artistic in the highest degree. Signor Del Puente was in capital voice, and made an impressive and dignified Alfonso. He sang the beautiful larghetto, "Vien Leonora," in the first part of the second act, and the "A tanto amor" in the third act, with perfect taste, and was loudly applauded. His performances was a decided improvement, vocally considered, for, although he always sings like a cultivated artist, he has not been in the best voice lately, and his efforts have necessarily suffered in consequence. The Fernando of Signor Campanini was the great feature of the representation, and the greatest of living tenors scored such a triumph in the part as to make it appear phenomenal. It has frequently happened that a favorite prima donna has been recalled several times, but audiences generally do not bestow such lavish applause on men. The superb acting of Signor Campanini however at the close of the third act fairly electrified the house. The scene in which he threw down the order given him by Alfonso and broke his sword was a wonderful dramatic effort, and excited the audience to the highest pitch. There was no mistaking the meaning of the applause that followed when the curtain was lowered after the act, and though the four principal artists appeared in company to bow their acknowledgments, there was a persistent demand for the tenor. When he appeared alone he was greeted with a hurricane of cheers. The fourth act, which contains so much for the tenor was exquisitely sung. "Spirito gentil" has never been more gracefully rendered. It was a beautiful example of pianissimo singing perfectly sweet, but manly and tender. So, too, in the "Vieni, sì vieni," and the final scene with Leonora, he sang with such pathos and acted with such abandon as it is hardly likely will be equaled again. The minor parts, orchestra and chorus, were all well done, as usual.

THE NEW OPERA.

The story which Verdi has set to music in "La Forza del Destino," the opera which Mr. Mapleson will produce in an elaborate manner next Tuesday night, is very much of the same tragic character as that of "Il Trovatore." The musical genius of the composer of "Aida" revels in harrowing themes, and finds its best expression in situations that are sometimes almost painful in their realism. The flames that burn around the martyr's stake glare in the music of the last act of "Trovatore" quite as vividly as in the unnecessary rod fire that the stage manager provides. The triumph of Rhadames and Aida as they die together of suffocation in one of Verdi's most memorable scenes, and the incidents of the fourth act of "Rigoletto," which contains some of the best music he has written, include a very real thunder-storm, and the purchase by a father of the corpse of his child sewed up in a sack. Quite as full of realism is the story of "La Forza del Destino," which was adapted by Verdi's librettist from a romantic Spanish play. The work was originally produced in St. Petersburg, and was to have been brought out in London by Mr. Mapleson when her Majesty's Theatre was destroyed by fire in 1867. Verdi has since rewritten the work in a great measure, and it is substantially a new opera that will be introduced to the audience in the Academy of Music next week. Both the scene painter and the costumer have opportunities which, it is understood, they have not neglected. The kitchen of a Spanish inn, the cloister of a monastery, an encampment of Spanish and Italian soldiers, and a rocky neighborhood in the suburbs of Hornachuelos by moonlight, will be among the most notable stage pictures incidental to the forthcoming representation of "La Forza del Destino." The principal characters are Don Alvaro, a poor gentleman of Seville; Don Carlo Di Vargas, a Spanish soldier; his father, the Marquis di Calatrava, and his sister, Leonora. Alvaro loves Leonora, and, of course, his love is returned; the Marquis refuses his consent to their union, and the lovers resolve to fly together; they are intercepted by the father, who is accidentally shot. Alvaro draws his pistol from his belt to disarm himself and it explodes, killing the father of Leonora. The girl, disguised in male attire, seeks refuge in a monastery; Alvaro, under an assumed name, goes to the wars of united Spain and Italy. He becomes the companion at arms of Don Carlo, who is also bearing another name than his own, for the purpose of finding and slaying the assassin of his father. Alvaro is wounded in battle, and confides the secret of his identity to Carlo. He recovers, and Carlo, declaring his name, forces him to fight. Carlo is mortally wounded, and Leonora, who has learned of the encounter and has hurried to the spot hoping to prevent it, is stabbed by her dying brother, while Alvaro throws himself from a precipice. This is the briefest outline of the very romantic story of "La Forza del Destino." The opera abounds in striking situations and picturesque incidents. Signor Campanini will be Don Alvaro, and the part will afford him many opportunities, both in the music and in the dramatic situations. Don Carlo will be Signor Galassi's part. Signor Monti will be the Marquis, and Mrs. Marie L. Swift will make her first appearance in opera, in this country, as Leonora. Mrs. Swift has sung in dramatic roles, with much success, in Italy. She is an American lady, and as far as the eye is concerned will make a most agreeable heroine. Among the less important characters are two menials allotted to Signor Del Puente and Herr Behrens, and a poor gypsy girl, Preziosilla, who will undoubtedly become interesting in the person of Miss Cary. A graceful and by no means unimportant feature of the representation will be the execution of the Spanish national dance by those accomplished artists of the ballet, Mlles. Caroline and Adelaide Monti.

GENERAL MENTION.

The Yale Glee Club Concert, heretofore mentioned in these columns, will be given at Steinway Hall to-night.

The last chance to see "Chawles, or A Fool and His Money," will be afforded this evening. This play, or to speak more justly, this edgeless attempt, has not stimulated much interest among our theatregoers and simply goes to show once more that Mr. Byron is not popular hereabouts. He is essentially a London playwright, and outside of London his work finds little favor. To-morrow night "Chimpanzee and Oyster," a burlesque, burlesque piece adapted from the German by Mr. F. W. Sharpe, of Wallack's Theatre, will be revived for a few nights. Mr. Lewis and several others of Mr. Abbey's excellent company will appear in the title, which they now play morning, afternoon and evening. The valuable Lotta will soon take possession of the Park Theatre, and the regular company will then start anew upon their travels.

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Patrick Gibney, a saloon-keeper of Cortlandt-avenue, near One Hundred and Forty-seventh-street, was killed last night by the New-Haven train based north at Fourth-avenue and One Hundred and Forty-seventh-street. Gibney had been drinking the Shamrock, and were the regalia of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

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CINCINNATI REJOICING.

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THE ANIMAL TORN APART BY "SPORTSMEN," WHEN CAUGHT IN A FISSURE IN THE ROCKS.

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CHICAGO, March 17.—Martin Power, of No. 209 West Fulton-street, in a fit of insane jealousy, shot his wife, Bridget, probably fatally, this morning, and then fired two shots into his own head, causing instant death.

HARTFORD, March 17.—In the Legislature to-day, the resolution to postpone for one year the hanging of Henry Hamlin, for the murder of the State Prison watchman, Gardner, was rejected. Hamlin is sentenced to be hanged on May 28.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 17.—Lyman S. Colvin, a prisoner in Pittsfield Jail, charged with the burglary of the Lee Post Office in January, will turn State's evidence at the trial, which is the United States Court room in Boston, next week. He has made a confession to the officers, implicating Charles Anderson, a fellow-prisoner, and George Briggs, alias Clown, who is still at large, in many burglaries in Massachusetts and Connecticut within the last eight months, and has given a full story of the crimes.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 17.—Emery Phillips entered the room of Thomas J. Snyder, at Grand View, last night, and kicked in the head of a bass drum belonging to Snyder, who, upon inquiring the cause of the act, was shot just above the eye by Phillips

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—MARCH 17.

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:30 A. M.

U. S. 6s R. 1867. $10,000 ..... 105⅝ | U. S. 4½ C. 1891. $35,000 ..... 105⅛ | U. S. 4½ C. 1907. $30,000 ..... 105⅛
1,000 ..... 105⅛ | 100,000 ..... 105⅛

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—1 P. M.

U. S. 6s R. 1867. $6,000 ..... 105⅝ | U. S. 6s R. 1867. $5,000 ..... 105⅝ | U. S. 4½ C. 1891. 10,000 ..... 107⅛
U. S. 4½ R. $10,000 ..... 105⅛ | U. S. 4½ C. 1907. 10,000 ..... 105⅛ | U. S. 6s R. 1881. 4,000 ..... 105⅝

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—2:30 P. M.

U. S. 4½ R. $10,000 ..... 105⅛ | U. S. 4½ C. 1907. 10,000 ..... 105⅛ | U. S. 6s R. 1881. 4,000 ..... 105⅝

SALES TO 3 P. M.

N. Y., L. E. & W. new 2d consol.	E. T. U. & Hun.	Lake Erie & West.
$10,000 b3. 91½	200 ..... 129⅛	700 ..... 35⅝
20,000 ..... 90⅝	100 ..... 129⅝	100 ..... 35⅛
10,000 ..... 90½	Lake Shore	100 ..... b3. 35⅝
N. Y. & N. Eng.	100 ..... 107⅝	Manhattan.
10,000 ..... 93½	200 ..... 107⅞	100 ..... 51⅝
15,000 93	100 ..... 107⅞	400 ..... 51⅞
50,000 ..... 93⅛	1400 108	100 ..... b3. 51⅞
10,000 ..... 93½	200 ..... 108⅛	Mich. Central.
10,000 ..... 101⅛	Illinois Central	200 ..... 81⅛
L. S. & M. S. 1st con.	100 ..... 101⅛	800 ..... 81⅞
5,000 105	100 ..... 101⅛	400 ..... 81⅞
Dakota & M. 1st.	500 ..... 101⅞	1000 ..... 81⅞
4,000 93	100 ..... 101⅞	1000 ..... 81⅞
R. C. R. & M. 1st.	Union Pacific.	200 ..... 81⅞
1,000 66	200 ..... 90⅛	200 ..... 81⅞
R. W. & O. 7s.	California Stock	Northern Pacific.
500 90	100 ..... 90⅛	100 ..... 56⅛
Ind. Dec. & Spg. 1st	200 ..... 90⅛	Nash. C. & St. L.
1,000 54	Central of N. J.	100 ..... 83⅞
L. E. & W. Ext.	100 ..... 42⅛	100 84
10,000 ..... b3. 54	100 ..... 42⅛	100 ..... 84⅛
Adams Express.	100 ..... 42⅛	Pac. Dec. & Evans.
70 ..... 118⅞	500 ..... 42⅛	200 ..... a3. 25⅛
American Express.	100 ..... 42⅛	N. Y. Cent. & West.
200 59	100 ..... b60. 43	200 ..... 26⅛
Little Pittsburg.	200 34	200 ..... 26⅛
100 ..... b. 4	200 43	Chicago & Canada.
Pacific Mail.	100 43	100 ..... a3. 25
100 ..... 45⅛	100 ..... a3. 90⅛	400 ..... 24⅞
New Central Coal.	100 91	Oregon R. & N.
100 ..... 29⅞	100 ..... 91⅛	100 104
100 ..... b3. 30	100 ..... 91⅛	50 108
100 ..... 30⅛	North-western.	St. L. & I. M.
Bates Tunnel.	100 ..... 68⅞	300 ..... 58⅛
100 ..... 3⅞	200 ..... 68⅞	100 ..... 58⅛
Quicksilver pf.	100 ..... 68⅞	300 58
300 74	200 ..... 68⅞	100 ..... 57⅞
100 ..... 74⅛	300 ..... 68⅞	100 ..... 57⅞
100 ..... 74⅛	400 ..... 68⅞	100 ..... 57⅞
200 ..... b3. 75	St. Paul.	500 ..... 57⅞
Gen. Arizona Min.	600 ..... 80⅞	100 ..... 57⅞
100 8	300 ..... 81⅛	100 ..... 57⅞
Det. & Hudson.	200 ..... 81⅛	100 ..... 57⅞
200 ..... 82⅛	Alt. & T. H. pf.	100 ..... 57⅞
Atlantic & Pacific.	100 31	1100 ..... 57⅞
200 ..... 4⅞	St. Ch. L. & Pac.	100 57
200 45	400 ..... 43⅞	500 ..... 56⅞
100 ..... b3. 43⅛	200 ..... 43⅞	50 56
100 ..... b30. 43⅛	Chic. S. L. & Pit.	100 56
Amer. Dist. Tel.	100 38	Han. & St. Jo. pf.
400 73	Han. & St. Jo. pf.	100 ..... 66⅞
Western Union.	200 ..... 67⅞	100 76
100 87	1100 68	Ohio & Miss.
400 ..... 87⅛	200 ..... 68⅞	200 ..... 36⅞
100 ..... b3. 107⅞	300 ..... 68⅞	100 ..... 36⅞
100 ..... b3. 107⅞	100 ..... 68⅞	100 ..... 36⅞
100 ..... 107⅞	Del., Lack. & W.	100 ..... 36⅞
100 ..... b30. 107⅞	1000 ..... 91⅛	1000 ..... 36⅞
800 ..... 107⅞	2000 ..... 91⅛	Phila. & Reading.
100 ..... 107⅞	100 ..... b30. 91⅛	500 ..... 68⅞
300 ..... b3. 107⅞	Central Pacific.	100 ..... 68⅞
C., C., C. & I.	100 79	100 ..... 68⅞
100 79	1000 91	Rome & Watertown.
Pacific Mail.	1000 91	100 30
200 ..... 45⅛	Chic. St. P. & M.	Chic. & N. W. pf.
800 45	400 55	100 ..... 76⅞
300 ..... 44⅞	100 ..... 54⅞	100 ..... 76⅞
100 ..... 44⅞	Chic. & Ohio.	Han. & St. Jo.
100 ..... 45⅛	100 ..... 23⅞	600 36
200 ..... 45⅛	Chic. & C. Jo. pf.	100 ..... 36⅞
200 ..... 45⅛	100 ..... 24⅞	100 ..... 36⅞
100 ..... 45⅛	Chic. & St. L. & N. O.	100 ..... 36⅞
1100 46	100 38	Han. & St. Jo. pf.
100 ..... 46⅛	St. & Texas Cent.	100 ..... 66⅞
100 ..... 46⅛	100 ..... 81⅞	500 76
400 ..... 46⅛	200 ..... 81⅞	Ohio & Miss.
700 ..... 46⅛	45 80	200 ..... 36⅞
200 ..... 46⅛	100 ..... 80⅞	100 ..... 36⅞
200 ..... 46⅛	100 ..... 80⅞	100 36
N. Y. L. E. & W.	100 ..... 81⅞	800 ..... 36⅞
4500 ..... 42⅞	Ind., Bl. & West.	600 ..... 36⅞
600 ..... b3. 43⅛	600 43	1000 ..... 36⅞
1900 ..... 43⅛	Kansas & Texas.	1000 ..... 36⅞
600 ..... 43⅛	500 ..... 42⅞	500 ..... 36⅞
200 ..... 43⅛	200 ..... 42⅞	900 37
200 ..... 43⅛	100 ..... 42⅞	100 ..... b3. 37⅞
600 ..... 44⅛	300 ..... 41⅞	400 ..... 37⅞
N. Y. L. E. & W. pf.	400 ..... 42⅞	Ohio & Miss. pf.
200 ..... 68⅞	400 42	100 79
Canada Southern.	200 43	C., C. & I. C.
400 66	Northern Pacific.	100 ..... 17⅞
200 ..... 65⅞	100 ..... 32⅞	600 ..... b3. 17

MINING STOCK EXCHANGE SALES—MARCH 17.

THIRD CALL—2:30 P. M.

Gold Placer.	Great Eastern.	Climax.
2000 bel10. .92	500 bc s10. .37	100 bc s120. 2.45
100 bch.10. .38	700 ..... .38	10 ..... 2.60
700 ..... .92	500 bch30. .38	100 ..... b60. 2.60
500 ..... .92	1100 ..... a c. .37	300 a c s30. 2.35
700 ..... .92	Shamrock.	Granville.
1000 bc60. .1	200 ..... a c. 1.05	500 ..... b c. .35
1000 ..... .92	100 ..... b c. 1.10	200 ..... b30. .37
100 ..... .94	200 ..... a c. 1.05	Dahlonega.
1000 bc10. .95	200 a c. b30. 1.10	100 ..... b c. c. .19
200 ..... .95	1600 ..... a c. 1.05	Kappahannock.
25 ..... b c. 1	500 a c. c60. 1	500 b c. s30. .41
500 ..... b c. s3. .94	Leadville.	500 a c. b3. .41
1500 ..... b30. .93	100 ..... b c. 3.35	1500 ..... a c. .41
1700 ..... a c. .93	100 ..... a c. 3.35	Buckeye.
Consol. Pacific.	Lacrosse.	500 b c. b60. .41
100 ..... b c. 2.15	500 ..... b c. b5. .50	1000 ..... b c. .40
Bodie.	Calaveras.	Bald.
100 ..... b c. 7.50	200 ..... b c. 1.60	200 ..... b c. 2.50
100 ..... b30. 7.75	200 ..... 1.65	100 ..... b c. b3. 2.50
50 ..... b c. 7.60	100 ..... a c. 1.60	Mariposa.
Imperial.	South Bulwer.	200 2
200 ..... b c. .50	300 ..... b c. s30. 1.35	South Hite.
American Flag.	100 ..... b c. b3. 1.40	100 ..... a c. .70
200 ..... b c. .55	Findley.	Moses.
40 ..... a c. .60	1600 ..... b c. .64	1000 ..... a c. 1.15
100 ..... b c. .50	Mono.	Belcher.
500 ..... b30. .57	100 ..... b c. .54	50 ..... a c. 8.88
California.	Green Mountain.	South Bodie.
100 ..... b c. a 3.15	100 ..... c3. 3.15	100 ..... a c. .70

WEDNESDAY, March 17—P. M.

Speculation on the Stock Exchange was feverish in tone early in the day, when appearances indicated the possibility of a stringent working of the Money market. Prices declined ½ to 4 ⅞ cent, Manhattan Elevated, Pacific Mail, the telegraph shares, and the South-western stocks leading the downward movement. During the afternoon the lower range of quotations induced free buying for *the long and short account, under the influence* of which a sharp advance took place. The easier feeling in Money toward the close helped materially to assist the upward movement in values. The advance from the lowest point ranged from ½ to 2¼ ⅞ cent, Pacific Mail, Iron Mountain, Manhattan Elevated, Kansas and Texas, Ohio and Mississippi, and Western Union being most conspicuous in the improvement.

The transactions aggregated 284,110 shares, including 46,625 Erie, 28,690 Pacific Mail, 21,020 Ohio and Mississippi, 19,220 Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 16,900 Manhattan Elevated, 14,900 Iron Mountain, 13,600 Western Union, 13,600 New-Jersey Central, 12,250 North-west, 8,650 Wabash, 8,600 Kansas and Texas, 8,500 Nutro, 8,000 St. Paul, and 6,600 Lake Shore.

North-west common declined from 94 to 93½, and rose to 94¼; St. Paul common fell off from 81¼ to 80⅝, and recovered to 81¼; Lake Shore declined from 108 to 107½, and rose to 108⅛; Michigan Central declined from 91 to 90½, and rose to 91¼; Canada Southern fell off from 65⅝ to 65, advanced to 66¼, and resented to 65⅝; Erie fell off from 44¼ to 43½, and preferred from 69 to 68½, but the former rallied to 44⅛; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western declined from 92 to 91½, and closed at 91⅞; Delaware and Hudson, after falling down from 83⅝ to 82½, rallied to 83; New-Jersey Central declined from 65½ to 63⅝, and closed at 84; Reading fell off from 68⅝ to 68¼, and rose to 68⅞; New Central Coal sold as 29⅝@30; Hannibal and St. Joseph declined from 36⅞ to 35⅝, and preferred from 70⅝ to 69¾, with final sales at 36½ and 70½ respectively; Houston and Texas fell off from 81½ to 81, rose to 82¼, declined to 80, and recovered to 81¼; Lake Erie and Western ranged between 35 and 35⅞, closing at 35⅝; Mobile and Ohio declined from 24½ to 23¾; *Kansas and Texas* rose to 43⅛, fell off to 41⅞, and recovered to 43¼; Nashville and Chattanooga declined from 85½ to 83½, and rallied to 84½; Ohio and *Mississippi fell off from 36⅝ to 35⅞, and rose* to 47¼; St. Paul and Sioux City preferred declined from 77½ to 76¼; Wabash sold at 43⅝@43⅞; the preferred declined from 68⅝ to 67½, and recovered to 68⅝; Iron Mountain declined from 59¼ to 58, and recovered to 58; Union Pacific rose from 90¼ to 90⅞, fell off to 90, and rallied to 90½; Central Pacific declined from 80⅝ to 79; Manhattan Elevated declined from 54 to 50, recovered to 52¼, and closed at 51⅝; New-York Elevated sold at 124; Metropolitan Elevated at 116; Pacific Mail declined from 46½ to 44⅝, and rose to 46⅞; Western Union dropped from 108¼ to 106, and recovered to 107⅞; Atlantic and Pacific fell off to 42½, and rallied to 43; New-York Central sold at 129½@129⅞; Rock Island at 154⅞; Illinois Central at 101⅝@102. Among mining stocks, Quicksilver common declined to 19, while the preferred rose to 75; Sutro was active, and fell off to 2⅞; Little Pittsburg sold at 3½@3⅝; Central Arizona at 6; Standard fell off from 31¼ to 30⅞, and rallied to 30⅝.

The Money market was active and rather close early in the day, and borrowers on call, in some instances, were obliged to pay as high as one-sixteenth of 1 ⅞ cent in addition to legal interest. The majority of loans, however, on pledge of acceptable stock collaterals, were effected at 6 ⅞ cent. During the afternoon the supply of capital increased largely, and the rates for call loans declined to 3@4 ⅞ cent. Prime mercantile paper was quoted at 5@6 ⅞ cent. The following were the rates of domestic exchange on New-York at the undermentioned cities to-day: Savannah, buying ¼ premium, selling ¼ premium; Charleston, buying ⅛, selling ¼; New-Orleans, commercial, 1@1.25 discount, bank 2.50 premium; St. Louis, 50 discount; Chicago, 80c. discount, and Boston, 25c. discount.

The foreign advices reported British Consols at London a shade higher, at 97⅝@97⅞ for money, and 97⅝@98 for the account. In United States Government bonds, new 4s were quoted at 108½, ex dividend; new 4½s declined ⅛ ⅞ cent, to 110; and new 5s ¼ ⅞ cent, to 106½. American railway securities were dull and generally lower; Erie consols declined from 45½ @ 45, and recovered to 45¼; do consolidated Seconds fell off from 93 to 92, and recovered to 92½; Reading declined from 35½ to 35; New-Jersey Central stock from 97⅝@98 to 96⅝@96; do. consolidated Firsts from 108, ex interest, to 107½; Atlantic and Great Western Firsts from 63½ to 62½, and do. Seconds from 27¼ to 26¼. India Council bills were allotted at an advance of 1-16d. ⅞ rupee. At Paris, Rentes advanced to 82f. 40c. Exchange on London was quoted at 25f. 29c.

The Sterling Exchange market was quiet and without essential change. Bankers' bills sold at 84⅞@84⅞@84 65 for 60 days, and 84 87½⅞ @4 88 for demand. Cables at 84 88¼⅞ @4 88¼, and commercial at 84 82@84 83½.

The proposals to sell bonds to the Government for the sinking fund to-day amounted in the aggregate to $11,307,350, at the following prices: Sixes of 1880, from 103.85 to 104; 6s of 1881, from 105.37½ to 105.62, and 5s of 1881, from 103.13 to 103.61. The Secretary of the Treasury accepted bids for $2,000,000, as follows: Fives of 1881, from 103.13 to 103.18, and 6s of 1881, from 105.37½ to 105.44.

Government bonds were weak, and a fraction lower. The decline was due to the large offerings of bonds to the Treasury at or below the current market prices. Sales were also induced early in the day by the stringency in Money. The chief activity was in the new 4 ⅞ cents, and the 6s of 1881. Railroad mortgages were irregular on a moderate volume of business. Erie consolidated Seconds declined from 90½ to 90, and recovered to the former figure at the close; do consolidated gold 7s sold at 117, and funded 5s at 84½@84¾; Kansas and Texas Firsts declined from 102⅝ to 101½; do. Seconds rose to 67, fell off to 66, and rallied to 66½; Texas Pacific income dropped from 74 to 72; Chesapeake and Ohio, Series B, declined to 68¼; do. currency 6s, to 43; New-Jersey Central Firsts to 116; do. consolidated do. to 106; Boston, Hartford and Erie Firsts to 57; Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Firsts to 69; Iron Mountain Firsts preferred incomes to 91, and Seconds do. to 81½; Ohio and Mississippi Seconds advanced to 118, and C., C. and I. C. supplementary to 82. State Bonds were quiet and firm.

UNITED STATES TREASURY,
NEW-YORK, March 17, 1880.

Receipts	$3,327,756 86
Payments	438,519 07
Balance, coin	104,768,705 13
Balance, notes	5,536,054 63

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—MARCH 17.

	Tuesday.	Wednesday.
United States 6s, 1907, coupon	106⅝	106⅞
United States 4½s, 1891, coupon	107⅝	107⅞
United States 4s, 1891, coupon	103⅝	103⅞
Adams Express	112	112
American Express	60¼	60¼
Central Pacific	80	79
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	118⅝	118⅞
Chicago and Alton	106⅝	106⅞
Chicago and Alton pref.	117	117
Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis	53⅝	54⅞
Chicago and North-west	94⅝	94⅞
Chicago and North-west pref.	108⅝	108⅞
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul	81	81
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul pref.	104⅝	104⅞
Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific	154⅝	154⅞
Cleveland and Pittsburg	110⅝	110⅞
Consolidated Coal	34	34
Cumberland Coal	65	65
Delaware, Lackawanna and Western	92⅝	91⅞
Delaware and Hudson Canal	83⅝	82⅞
Excelsior Mining	20	20
Frankfort and Kokomo	22⅝	22⅞
Hannibal and St. Joseph	36⅝	35⅞
Hannibal and St. Joseph pref.	70⅝	70⅞
Harlem	180	180
Homestake Mining	34	34
Houston and Texas	81⅝	81⅞
Illinois Central	102	101⅞
Indianapolis, Bloomington and West.	35⅝	35⅞
Central Pacific	80⅝	79
Ohio Central	22	22⅞
Keokuk and Des Moines	15	15
Keokuk and Des Moines pref.	36	36
Lake Shore	108⅝	108⅞
Lake Erie and Western	35⅝	35⅞
La Plata	6⅝	6⅞
Louisville and Nashville	155	154⅞
Little Pittsburg	3⅝	3⅞
Long Island City	100	100
Manhattan Railroad	54	51⅞
Marion	3⅝	3⅞
Marietta and Cincinnati 1st pref.	11⅝	11⅞
Marietta and Cincinnati 2d pref.	8	8
Metropolitan Railroad	116	116
Michigan Central	91⅝	91⅞
Mobile and Ohio	24⅝	23⅞
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	43⅝	43⅞
Morris and Essex	108	108
Maryland Coal	26	26
Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis	83⅝	83⅞
New-Jersey Central	29⅝	29⅞
New-York Central	85⅝	84⅞
New-York and New-Haven	129⅝	129⅞
New-York Elevated	156⅝	156⅞
New-York, Lake Erie and Western	44⅝	44⅞
New-York, Lake Erie and Western pref.	69	68⅞
Northern Pacific	32⅝	32⅞
Northern Pacific pref.	55⅝	55⅞
Ohio and Mississippi	36⅝	37⅞
Ohio and Mississippi pref.	75	75
Oregon Railway and Navigation	105	105
Pacific Mail	45⅝	46⅞
Panama	183	183
Pennsylvania	210	210
Philadelphia and Reading	68⅝	68⅞
Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago	118	118
Pullman Palace Car Company	118⅝	118⅞
Quicksilver	*20*	*19⅞*
Quicksilver pref.	75⅝	75
Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg	33	33
Rensselaer and Saratoga	119	119
Standard Mining	31	30⅞
Sutro Tunnel	2⅝	2⅞
St. Louis and San Francisco	42⅝	42⅞
St. Louis and San Francisco pref.	57⅝	57⅞
St. Louis and San Francisco 1st pref.	81	80
St. Louis and Iron Mountain	59⅝	59
St. Paul and Sioux City	41⅝	41⅞
St. Paul and Sioux City pref.	76	76⅞
New-York, Ontario and Western	27⅝	26⅞
Union Pacific	90⅝	90⅞
Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific	44	43⅞
Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific pref.	68⅝	68⅞
Wells-Fargo Express	106	108
Western Union Telegraph	108	107⅞
United states Express	49	49

The extreme range of prices in stocks and the number of shares sold are as follows:

	Highest.	Lowest.	No. of Shares.
American Express	59⅞	59	325
Alton & Terre Haute pref.	63⅞	62⅞	320
Atl. and Pacific Tel.	42⅞	42⅞	3,100
American Dis. Telegraph	74	73	452
Boston Air Line	60	60	100
Canada Southern	66⅞	65	2,100
Climax Mining	2⅞	2⅞	100
Central Arizona	6	6	200
Chic., St. Louis and N. O.	38⅞	38	500
Cleve., Col., Cin. and Ind.	79	78⅞	600
Chesapeake and Ohio	22⅞	22⅞	1,700
Ches. and Ohio 2d pref.	24⅞	24⅞	200
Chic., Cin. and Ind. Cen.	17⅞	17⅞	100
Chicago, St. Paul and M.	55⅞	54⅞	600
Chicago and North-west	94⅞	93⅞	12,250
Chic., Mil. and St. Paul	81⅞	80⅞	7,800
C., R. I. and St. Paul pref.	104⅞	104⅞	500
Chi., R. I. and Pacific	154⅞	154⅞	900
Central Pacific	80⅞	79	725
Del., Lack. and West.	92	91⅞	19,220
Del. and Hudson Canal	83⅞	82⅞	1,300
Hannibal and St. Joseph	36⅞	35⅞	2,020
Han. and St. Joseph pref.	70⅞	69⅞	1,800
Houston and Texas	82⅞	81	4,200
Illinois Central	102	101⅞	1,270
Lake Erie and Western	35⅞	35⅞	6,300
Louisville & Nashville	155	154⅞	2,500
Little Pittsburg	3⅞	3⅞	2,000
Manhattan Railroad	52⅞	50	16,900
Marietta and Cin. 1st pref.	*11⅞*	*11⅞*	*800*
Metropolitan Railroad	116	116	600
Michigan Central	91⅞	90⅞	2,300
Mobile and Ohio	24⅞	23⅞	8,200
Nash., Chat. and St. L.	*85⅞*	*83⅞*	*2,900*
New Central Coal	30	29⅞	900
New-Jersey Central	85⅞	63⅞	13,600
New-York Central	129⅞	129⅞	1,150
New-York Elevated	124	124	25
New-York, L. E. & West	44⅞	43⅞	46,625
N. Y., L. E. & West pref.	69	68	500
Northern Pacific	33	32⅞	900
Northern Pacific pref.	55⅞	55⅞	900
Ohio and Mississippi	37⅞	35⅞	20,900
Ohio and Mississippi pref.	76	74	120
Chicago and Western	76⅞	76⅞	2,100
Ohio Central	23	24⅞	500
Pacific Mail	46⅞	44⅞	28,690
Pacific Union Land Map	105	105	300
Peoria, Dec. and Evans.	23⅞	23⅞	100
Phila. and Reading	68⅞	68⅞	8,500
Quicksilver	19⅞	19	600
Quicksilver pref.	75	73⅞	4,000
St. Wat. & Ogdensburg	30	30	300
Standard Mining	31⅞	30⅞	1,900
Sutro Tunnel	2⅞	2⅞	8,500
St. Louis and San Fran.	42⅞	42⅞	300
St. L. and San F. 1st pref.	80	80	300
St. Louis and Iron M.	59⅞	58	14,900
St. Louis and S. City	41⅞	41⅞	100
St. P. and S. City pref.	77⅞	76⅞	700
Union Pacific	90⅞	90	2,224
W., St. L. and Pacific	43⅞	42⅞	7,800
W., St. L. and Pacific pref.	68⅞	67⅞	6,850
Wells-Fargo Express	108	107⅞	900
Western Union Tel.	108⅞	106	13,600
Total sales			284,110

The following were the closing rates of foreign exchange:

	Counter Rates.	Sterling Rates.
Long.		
60-days sight	484⅞@488	484⅞@488
Demand	486⅞@487	487⅞@488
Cable transfers	488@488⅞	488⅞@488⅞
Short sights	483@483⅞	483@483⅞
Commercial, 3 days	— @ —	485@485⅞
Paris francs.		
60-days sight	5.18⅞@5.20	5.18⅞@5.20
Demand	5.16⅞@5.17⅞	5.16⅞@5.17⅞
Cable transfers	— @5.15	— @5.15
Commercial	— @ —	5.22⅞@5.23⅞
Commercial, 3 days	— @ —	5.20⅞@5.21⅞
Swiss francs.		
60-days sight	5.18⅞@5.19⅞	5.19⅞@5.20
Demand	5.16⅞@5.17⅞	5.18⅞@5.18⅞
Bremen marks.		
60-days sight	94⅞@95	94⅞@95
Demand	94⅞@95⅞	94⅞@95⅞
Hamburg marks.		
60-days sight	35 @ 35⅞	34⅞@ 35
Demand	35⅞@ 36	35⅞@ 36
Commercial	95 @ 95⅞	95 @ 95⅞
Commercial, 3 days	94⅞@ 95	94⅞@ 95

The following is the Clearing-house statement to-day:

Exchanges	$116,920,282
Balances	4,470,173

The following were the closing quotations of Government bonds:

	Bid.	Asked.
United States 6s, 1880, registered	102⅞	104
United States 6s, 1881, registered	105⅞	106
United States 4½s, 1891, registered	105⅞	106⅞
United States 4½s, 1891, coupon	105⅞	106⅞
United States 4s, 1907, registered	105	105⅞
United States 4½s, 1891, registered	107⅞	107⅞
United States 4½s, 1891, coupon	107⅞	107⅞
United States 4s, 1907, registered	105⅞	106⅞
United States 4s, 1907, coupon	105⅞	106⅞
United States currency 6s, 1862	128	.....
United States currency 6s, 1863	128	.....
United States currency 6s, 1864	128	.....
United States currency 6s, 1865	128	.....
United States currency 6s, 1866	128	.....
United States currency 6s, 1867	128	.....
United States currency 6s, 1869	128	.....

The following were the bids for the various State securities:

Ala., class A, 2 to 5	92⅞	N. C. 6s, O. & N.	42⅞@ 43
Ala., class A, sm.	93	N. C. 6s, O. & L.	42⅞@ 43
Ark. 6s, L. R. & Ft. S.	5	N. C. 6s, R. & A.	42⅞@ 43
Ark. 7s, L. R. & Ft. S.	5	N. C. 6s, H. & W.	42⅞@ 43
Ark. 7s, Ark. C. R.	5	N. C. 6s, A. & M.	42⅞@ 43
Ga. 6s, old	90	N. C. 6s, 1868	42⅞@ 43
Ga. 6s, 1886	90	S. C. 6s, 1873	2 @ 3
Ga. 7s	110	S. C. 6s, R. R.	2 @ 3
Ga. 7s, 1882	114	S. C. 6s, Con.	2 @ 3
Ga. 7s, 1887	114	S. C. 6s, 1873	2 @ 3
Ill. 5s	100	S. C. 6s, L. L. L.	2 @ 3
La. 7s, old	59⅞	S. C. 6s, A. & R. R.	2 @ 3
Mich. 6s	115	Tenn. 6s, old	30⅞@ 31
Mich. 7s	116	Tenn. 6s, new	30⅞@ 31
Mo. 6s, due '82 or '83	101	Va. 6s, O.	41 @ 41⅞
Mo. 6s, due '87	109	Va. 6s, new	41 @ 41⅞
Mo. 6s, due '94-5-6	108	Va. 6s, 1866	41 @ 41⅞
Mo. 6s, A. & M., due '92-3	108⅞	Va. 6s, 1871	41 @ 41⅞
Mo. 6s, A. & M., due '87	106	Va. 6s, ex	41 @ 41⅞
N. C. 6s, 1869	29⅞	Va. 6s, ex, 1866	41 @ 41⅞
N. C. 6s, A. O.	29⅞	Va. 6s, ex, 1871	41 @ 41⅞
		Va. 6s, ex, 1872	41 @ 41⅞
		Dis. Col. 3.65s, '24	94⅞

And the following for railway mortgages:

B. & O. 1st 6s, P. Br.	119	L. E. & W. 1st 6s	98⅞
B. R. & P. 1st 7s	87	L. R. & M. 1st 5s	98⅞
B. N. Y. & W. 1st 6s	38	Met. Elev. 1st 6s	102⅞
C. & A. R. 1st & 6s	68	Mich. Cen. 7s	119⅞
C. & O. 6s, cur. int. 4	43⅞	Mich. C. 1st 8s, s. f.	110
C. & A. 1st 7s	119	Mo., K. & T. 1st	101⅞
C. A. & I. C. 7s	110	N. Y. C. & H. R. 7s	125
St. L. & C. 1st 7s	113	M. & O. 6s	101
C. R. & Q. 8 p. c. 1st	106	N. Y. & N. E. 1st 7s	113⅞
K. & D. M. 1st 6s	96⅞	N. Y. G. 6s, '92	105
K. & D. M. 6s, sm.	97	N. Y. C. & H. R. 1st s. 7s	125
C. R. of N. J. 1st 7s	119⅞	N. Y. C. & H. 1st s. 7s	126
C. R. of N. J. con. 7s	116	Hud. R. 7s 2d s. f.	109
C. R. of N. J. sec. 7s	105⅞	Ga. R. 1st int. g. 6 to 8	91
C. R. of N. J. sec. 7s, 1886	105⅞	Harlem 1st 7s, c.	125
L. & W. sn. gd. 6s	97	Harlem 1st 7s, r.	125
A. D. & I. 7s	71	N. Y. Elev. 1st 7s	119
M. & S. 7s, 1st s. f. 6 p. c.	128⅞	N. Y. & H. sn. 4s	74
M. & St. P. S. F. 7s-10 P. C.	113	O. & M. sn. 7s	114
M. & St. P. 1st 7s, Sig. R. d.	113	O. & M. sn. 2d 7s	117⅞
M. & St. P. 1st L. & L. G. 7s	113	O. & M. 1st, Sh. div. 7s	79⅞
M. & St. P. 1st L. & M. D. 7s	113	Ohio C. 1st 6s	105
M. & St. P. 1st C. & M. 7s	113	P., R. & R. 1st 6s	95⅞
M. & St. P. sn. s. 2 7s	105	P. & C. 1st 6s	105
M. & St. P. 2d 7s	109	P. & C. 1st 5s	103
M. & St. P. W. & C. 1st 6s	106⅞	W. P. 6s	109
Chicago and Alton 1st 7s	106⅞	St. P. of Col. 1st 6s	100⅞

SHIPPING.

CUNARD LINE.

NOTICE.

With the view of diminishing the chances of collision, the steamers of this line take a specified course for all seasons of the year.

On the outward passage from Liverpool to New-York or Boston, crossing the meridian of 50 at 42 lat. take, as nearly as possible, a course to cross the meridian of 50 at 41, or nearer to the south of 42.

On the homeward passage crossing the meridian of 50 at 41, or nearer to the south of 42.

FROM PIER NO. 40 NORTH RIVER, CORNER OF GREENWICH-ST.

SCOTIA.....Wednesday, March 24, 2 P. M.
ARTHENIA.....Wednesday, March 31, 2:30 P. M.
CALEDONIA.....Wednesday, April 7, 3 P. M.
SAXONIA.....Wednesday, April 14, 3 A. M.

Cabin passage and return tickets on favorable terms. Intermediate, $60. Steerage, $26. Excursion tickets to Paris at lowest rates. Through tickets to all points in Great Britain, all parts of Europe at very low rates. Freight and passage office, No. 4 Bowling Green.

CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

WHITE STAR LINE.

UNITED STATES AND ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

NOTICE.—The steamers of this line take the Inner Passage, or shortest route, between Chatham, U. S. N., on both outward and homeward passages.

OELTIC (Capt. Graham).....Thurs. March 18, 10:30 A. M.
BRITANNIC (Capt. Irwin).....Sat. March 27, 4 P. M.
ADRIATIC (Capt. Cameron).....Wednesday, April 7, 10 A. M.

From White Star Dock, foot of West 10th-st.

These steamers are uniform in size and unsurpassed in speed and accommodation. The saloons, state-rooms, smoking and bath rooms are amidships, where the motion is least felt, affording a degree of comfort hitherto unattainable at sea.

Cabin passage, $80 and $100, return tickets on favorable terms. Steerage, $26.

The steamers carry neither cattle, sheep, nor pigs.

For immigration of plans and other information, apply at the company's office, No. 37 Broadway, New-York, or No. 140 Walnut-st., Phila. E. CORTHS, Agent.

GUION LINE.

UNITED STATES MAIL STEAMERS, FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL, calling at Cork Harbor, from Pier No. 38 N. R., foot of King-st.

WYOMING.....TUESDAY, March 23, 3 P. M.
NEVADA.....TUESDAY, March 30, 8 A. M.
WISCONSIN.....TUESDAY, April 13, 7:30 A. M.
ARIZONA.....TUESDAY, April 20, 1:30 P. M.
WYOMING.....TUESDAY, April 27, 7 A. M.

These steamers are built of iron, in water-tight compartments, and are furnished with every requisite to make the passage across the Atlantic both safe and agreeable, having bath-room, smoking-room, drawing-room, piano, and library; also experienced surgeons, stewardesses, and a female nurse. The saloon and second cabin are all upper deck, thus insuring those greatness of all features of safety and perfect ventilation and light.

CABIN PASSAGE, (according to state-room,) $60, $80 and $100; INTERMEDIATE, $40; STEERAGE AT LOW RATES. OFFICES, NO. 29 BROADWAY.

WILLIAMS & GUION.

INMAN LINE ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS,

FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

NOTICE.—The steamers of this Line take Lloyd's Marine Report for the seasons of the year.

CITY OF CHESTER.....Saturday, March 20, 12:30 P. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Thursday, March 25, 3 P. M.
CITY OF BERLIN.....Saturday, April 3, 12:30 P. M.
CITY OF NEW-YORK.....Tuesday, April 13, 8 A. M.
CITY OF RICHMOND.....Saturday, April 17, 12:30 P. M.

From Pier No. 37 North River, foot of Charlton-st.

Cabin, $80 and $100. Return tickets on favorable terms. STEERAGE, $25. Drafts at lowest rates.

Saloons, state-rooms, smoking and bath rooms amidships. These steamers do not carry cattle, sheep, or pigs.

JOHN J. DALY, Agent,
Nos. 21 and 23 Broadway, New-York.
Philadelphia office, No. 108 South 4th-st.

STATE LINE.

TO GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, DUBLIN, BELFAST, AND LONDONDERRY.

From pier foot of Canal-st., North River, as follows:

Steamer STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, Tu., Mar. 18, 11 A. M.
Steamer STATE OF INDIANA, Thu., Mar. 25, 7 A. M.

First cabin, $80 to $75, according to accommodation; excursion tickets, $110 to $150; second cabin, $40; excursion tickets, $75. Steerage, $26.

For freight and passage apply to

AUSTIN BALDWIN & CO., Gen'l Agents,
No. 73 Broadway, New-York.

GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY

Between New York and Havre.

Company's Pier, (new,) No. 42 North River, foot of Morton-st.

Travelers by this line avoid both transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel in a small boat.

AMERIQUE, R. JOUSLIN.....Thursday, March 18, 10 A. M.
FRANCE, TRUDELLE.....Wednesday, March 31, 9 A. M.
CANADA, PRADIER.....Wednesday, April 7, 3 P. M.

Checks drawn on Credit Lyonnais of Paris in amounts to suit.

For freight and passage apply to

LOUIS DE BERIAN, Agent, No. 55 Broadway.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD.

STEAM-SHIP LINE BETWEEN NEW-YORK, SOUTHAMPTON, AND BREMEN.

NECKAR.....Sat. March 20 MAIN.....Sat. April 3
ODER.....Sat. March 27 ROSE.....Sat. April 10

SOUTHAMPTON, HAVRE, OR BREMEN.

First Cabin.....$100
Second Cabin.....60
Steerage.....30

Return tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid steerage certificates, $28. STEERAGE TICKETS TO ALL POINTS IN THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND, $30.

OELRICHS & CO., No. 2 Bowling Green.

ANCHOR LINE U. S. MAIL STEAMERS.

NEW-YORK AND GLASGOW.

From Pier No. 20 North River, New-York.

Devonia.....March 20, noon Anchoria.....April 3, noon
Bolivia.....March 27, 6 A. M. Ethiopia.....April 10, 8 A. M.

Cabins, $60 to $80. Excursion tickets at reduced rates. Second Cabin, $40. Steerage, $28.

NEW-YORK TO LONDONDERRY.

From Pier No. 46 North River, foot of Charles-st.

Victoria.....March 20, noon Alsatia.....March 27, 6 A. M.

Cabins, $55 and $65. Excursion tickets at reduced rates.

HENDERSON BROTHERS, Agents, 7 Bowling Green.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL.

Hamburg American Packet Company's Line for PLYMOUTH, CHERBOURG, AND HAMBURG.

SILESIA, Thurs., March 18 | HOLSATIA, Thurs., April 1
WIELAND, Thurs. March 25 | WESTPHALIA, Th. April 8

Rates of passage to Plymouth, London, Cherbourg, Hamburg, and all points in the South of England: First Cabin, $100; Steerage, $30; Second Cabin, $60.

KUNHARDT & CO., C. B. RICHARD & CO.,
General Agents, General Passenger Agents,
No. 61 Broad-st., N. Y. No. 61 Broadway, N. Y.

ROTTERDAM LINE.

Steamers leave Co.'s pier, adj. Pavonia Ferry, Jersey City:

ROTTERDAM.....Wednesday, March 17
W. A. SCHOLTEN.....Wednesday, March 24
SCHIEDAM.....Wednesday, March 31

1st Cabin, $65-$70. 2d Cabin, $45-$50. Steerage, $26.

H. CAZAUX, General Agent, No. 27 South William-st.
E. FOMOR, 143 Wash.-st., Chicago.
27 S. Wm-st., Freight Agt. 150 B'way, Gen. Passage Agt.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

Pier foot of Canal-st., North River.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU AND PANAMA:

Steam-ship CRESCENT CITY, Saturday, March 20, noon
Connecting for Central and South America and Mexico.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO to JAPAN and CHINA:

Steam-ship CITY OF TOKIO, Saturday, March 20, noon

FROM SAN FRANCISCO to HONOLULU, NEW-ZEALAND and AUSTRALIA:

Steam-ship AUSTRALIA.....Saturday, April 10, noon

For through passage apply at company's office on the pier, foot of Canal-st., North River.

Passengers forwarded to SAN FRANCISCO, SANDWICH ISLANDS, JAPAN, CHINA, NEW-ZEALAND, AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AMERICA, CENTRAL AMERICA AND MEXICAN PORTS.

For tickets or for information in regard to routes apply to the PASSENGER Department, No. 287 BROADWAY.

G. T. SEWALL, H. J. BULLAY,
General Passenger Agent. Superintendent.

SAVANNAH AND FLORIDA.

From Pier No. 43 North River, (new No. 35,) foot of Beach-st.

AT 3 P. M., Wednesday and Saturday.

CITY OF MACON, (last Saturday) Saturday, March 20
CITY OF ATLANTA, (Capt. Kenyon,) Wed., March 24

Connecting with the Central Railroad of Georgia, Savannah, Florida and Western Railroad, and with the new and elegant steamer FLORIDA, just built for this company, and designed expressly to run via the INSIDE ROUTE to Jacksonville and all points on the St. John's River.

GEO. YONGE, Agent,
G. D. OWENS, Ocean S. S. Co., and
Genl. Agt. S. F. & W. R. R. Central R. R. of Ga.
315 Broadway. 409 Broadway.

N. Y., HAVANA, AND MEXICAN MAIL S. S. LINE.

Steamers leave Pier No. 5 North River at 3 P. M.

FOR HAVANA DIRECT,

AND VERA CRUZ VIA HAVANA.

Sailing as PROGRESO, CAMPECHE, and TRONTERA.

*CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, (Havana & Mexico) R. R. Mole.
*CITY OF WASHINGTON, (Havana only,) Tues., April 1
*CITY OF MERIDA, (Havana and Mexico) Sat. April 3

*These steamers are furnished with swinging berths in state-rooms, small table in dining-room, and meals are served à la carte without extra charge.

Steamship City of Mexico will leave N. O. March 29 & April 19 for Vera Cruz via Bacdad, Tampico, and Tuxpan, connecting with steamers for Havana and New-York.

F. ALEXANDER & SONS, Nos. 21 and 23 Broadway.

NEW-YORK AND HAVANA DIRECT MAIL LINE.

These first-class steam-ships sail regularly at 3 P. M. from Pier No. 6 North River, as follows:

CITY OF VERA CRUZ, Capt. VAN SICK, Wed., March 24
SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Capt. FOOTE.....Sat., April 3

(Accommodation unsurpassed.) For freight or passage apply to WILLIAM M. CLYDE & CO., No. 35 Broadway. LAWTON BROS., Agents in Havana.

CHARLESTON LINE.

FROM PIER NO. 17 NORTH RIVER at 3 P. M.

Steamer CHARLESTON, SATURDAY, March 20
Steamer GEORGE W. CLYDE, WEDNESDAY, March 24

FLORIDA, THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

For freight or passage apply to
JAMES W. QUINTARD & CO., Agents, office on the pier, or R. D. HASELL, Genl Agent, No. 317 Broadway.

NEW-YORK AND CUBA MAIL S. S. LINE

FOR HAVANA DIRECT.

FROM PIER NO. 16 EAST RIVER, AT 3 P. M.

Steamships and consignees for passengers.

S. S. SARATOGA.....Thursday, March 18
S. S. NIAGARA.....Saturday, March 27

JAMES E. WARD & CO., No. 113 Wall-st.

IRON RAILS.

CLARK, POST & MARTIN,
NO. 34 PINE-ST.,
Importers
OF
Steel and Iron Rails,
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Rails and Iron Rails, Pig and Bar Iron, and every description of Railway Plant. Rails imported.

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FINANCIAL.

TO

Selma, Rome and Dalton R. R. Co.

STOCK AND BOND HOLDERS.

NEW-YORK, March 18, 1880.

Holders of Stocks and Bonds in the above road are invited to unite in a scheme for the purchase of the Road and Franchises under the foreclosure proceedings, and reorganization of the same, subject to the following provisions:

1. Holders of the first-mortgage Bonds shall surrender their Bonds, and receive therefor a new first-mortgage Bond at 80 per cent. of Principal and unpaid Coupons of old Bond.

2. Holders of the second-mortgage Bonds shall surrender their Bonds, and receive therefor a new second-mortgage Bond for 50 per cent. of Principal and unpaid Coupons of old second-mortgage Bonds.

3. Holders of Income Bonds shall receive 25 per cent. in preferred, and 25 per cent. in common stock of new organization, without interest.

4. Stockholders in the present road shall relinquish their shares, and receive therefor 75 per cent. in common stock of new organization.

5. Holders of liens judicially determined as prior to first-mortgage Bonds, and not from their nature payable in cash out of the proceeds of sale, to be admitted on equality with the first-mortgage Bonds.

6. All classes of obligations above specified to be assessed ratably, for necessary expenses attending the reorganization, and at the proper time a committee of two from each class so represented to be appointed for the determination of all minor questions, as the same may arise.

Assents to the above will now be received, binding only where a majority interest in each class shall be obtained, and not restricting the party from buying or selling the said securities meantime, the obligations attaching only to the securities actually held by them at the time the list is finally closed, and non-assenting parties shut out from the combination.

Printed forms of assent may be had on application as above.

C. F. TEMPSON,
Chairman of Committee, 54 Broadway.

OFFICE OF

SIR RODERICK DHU GOLD MINING CO.,

No. 30 BROAD-ST.,

CAPITAL.....$2,000,000
P. O. Box No. 1846. NEW-YORK, March 2, 1880.

Books of subscription will be opened at the office of the company on FRIDAY, March 5, for the remainder of the unsold stock of the SIR RODERICK DHU GOLD MINING COMPANY at $2 per share—par value, $10. The proceeds of the sale to be devoted to the erection of

A HUNDRED-STAMP MILL,

and to thoroughly develop the property; it will be ample for that purpose.

Payment may be made 50 per cent. on subscription, and 20 per cent. each month thereafter until all is paid.

Subscribers, however, have the right to pay in full at any time and receive their certificates.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

JOHN McGINNIS, Jr., President.

IN PURSUANCE OF THE AGREEMENT dated February 27, 1876, under which money is paid for shares of stock of the ST. LOUIS IRON MOUNTAIN AND SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY have been transferred to us, as Trustees of the stock trust therein mentioned, notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the said railway company has notified us that it claims that the time has arrived when, according to the provisions of said agreement, the said stock trust is to terminate, and that in our opinion it is so, and that we intend to take action accordingly by transferring the said shares of stock to the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company for distribution, after the publication of this notice, for the time and in the manner prescribed by the said agreement in that behalf.—Dated New-York, March 13th, 1880.

ROBERT LENOX KENNEDY,
SAMUEL G. WARD,
Trustees THOMAS ALLEN,
NELSON M. BECKWITH,
CHARLES H. MARSHALL.

WOOD & DAVIS,

BANKERS AND BROKERS,

NO. 31 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

Government bonds, municipal and railroad securities bought and sold on commission.

A limited amount of
Atchison, Colorado, and Pacific Railroad Co.
First mortgage 6 per cent. bonds, guaranteed, principal and interest, by Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad, and lease assumed by Union Pacific Railway Company, for sale.

C. D. WOOD. SAMUEL H. DAVIS.

PARTIES DESIROUS OF DEALING IN

STOCKS,

Should write to or call on the old Banking-house of

HOWES & COMPANY,
No. 11 Wall-st., New-York.
(Formerly HOWES & MACY.)

This house transacts a general Stock Commission business, with very large experience.

Interest allowed on deposits at 4 per cent, payable on demand.

NOTICE.

A general called meeting of the stockholders of the LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at the office of the company, in the City of Louisville, Ky., on FRIDAY, the 26th day of March. The stock-books will be closed from the 23d to the 26th of March, 1880, both days inclusive. By order of the President and Directors.

W. RAINEY, Secretary.

In accordance with the above notice, the stock-books of the LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY in this City, will be closed from the 23d to the 26th inst., both days inclusive.

HENRY ANTHON, Transfer Agent.

New-York, March 15, 1880.

WANTED.

Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta R. R. Bonds and Stock.
Atlanta and Charlotte R. R. Stock and Bonds.
Wilmington and Weldon R. R. Stock.

We make a specialty of buying and selling Southern securities of all kinds. Inquiries cheerfully answered.

FRITZ LEWIS,
57 Second-st., Baltimore, Md.

References—John S. Norris, Pres't First N. Bank, and Robert Mickle, Cashier of N. Union Bank of Md., Baltimore.

MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY

A meeting of the Registered Holders of the Preferred Income and Sinking Fund Debentures of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company will be held at the agency of the company, No. 11 Pine-st., in the city of New-York, on the 21st day of April, at 12 o'clock, pursuant to the Deed of Trust, dated May 1, 1879.

The Transfer-books of the Preferred Income and Sinking Fund Debentures will close at the agency in the City of New-York, at 3 P. M. on the 21st day of March, and will reopen on the 21st day of April.

CHARLES WALSH,
Transfer Agent.

MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY

A meeting of the Stockholders of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company will be held at No. 11 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, on the 20th day of April, at 12 o'clock, to accept the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, entitled "An Act for the settlement of all controversies and litigation between this State of Mississippi and the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company."

The Transfer-books of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company of Mobile and New-York will close at 3 P. M. on the 21st day of March, and will reopen on the 21st day of April.

CHARLES WALSH,
Transfer Agent.

R. M. RAVEN & CO.,

Members of New-York Stock and Mining Exchanges,

BANKERS AND BROKERS,

POST OFFICE BOX NO. 868. NO. 15 WALL-ST.

Buy and sell all securities dealt in at the Exchanges, strictly on Commission, for Cash, or on Margin. Our office, adjoining the Stock Exchange, enables us to execute orders with dispatch. Mr. Raven attends personally in the Stock Exchange. Interest allowed on deposits. Correspondence solicited.

OPEN BOARD OF STOCK-BROKERS

OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

Having purchased the property No. 42 Broad-st., extending through the block to and including No. 38 New-st., where, after the 1st of May next, the business of this Stock Exchange will be conducted, the Governing Committee have resolved to offer for sale a limited number of memberships.

Applications for membership may be made either personally or by letter to the undersigned from 11 A. M. to 3 P. M., Old Post Office Building, Nassau-st., New-York. By order of the Governing Committee.

MARCH 16, 1880. GEO. W. McLEAN, President.

FOR SALE.

THE CONTROLLING INTEREST

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A QUIET ST. PATRICK'S DAY

THE USUAL PARADE ABANDONED.

A RECONCILIATION TO JONES'S WOOD BY THE HIBERNIANS—ADDRESSES BY THE REV. MR. LARKIN, THE REV. MR. M'GLYNN, AND BY SENATOR ECKLESINE.

Yesterday witnessed the quietest celebration of St. Patrick's Day that has been known in this City since our Irish citizens first began their annual parades in honor of the patron saint of their native land. There was no parade in the sense in which it has been known and dreaded in former years, and the business streets in the lower part of the City were not obstructed as of old. At 10:30 o'clock quite a large throng of men, women, and children had assembled in the neighborhood of Thirty-fourth-street and Broadway to witness the forming of the procession which was to take the place of the usual parade. It was not large enough, however, to seriously inconvenience travelers, and the Police, under Capt. Berghold, had no difficulty in keeping the streets clear. It was noon before the different divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians were formed in line and moved forward, under the direction of Grand Marshal Peter Halpin. Manahan's band of 40 pieces headed the procession, which included representatives from 34 divisions of the order and from several temperance societies. By actual count the number of men in line, exclusive of the Marshal, his aides, and the band, was 980, and they occupied but about 10 minutes in passing a given point. The line of march was up Broadway to Fifty-seventh-street, thence through deep mud and the fragments of blasted rocks, to the Eastern Boulevard, and up that thoroughfare to Jones's Wood Colisseum, which the head of the procession reached at 1:30 P. M. A respectable crowd followed the line, but the old-fashioned throngs which formerly blocked the streets were nowhere to be seen. At the entrance to the Colisseum a large wooden box was placed, guarded by a committee of the Irish societies, and into this each man, woman, and child paid his or her offering to the Parnell fund before passing into the Inclosure. The lowest sum acceptable was 50 cents, which was the nominal price of admission, but many contributed $1, $2, $5, $10, and $20.

Account in the evening of the Hibernians and their friends amused themselves previous to the formal exercises of the day in their own chosen way. Some danced jigs to the music of an Irish bagpipe, while others patronized the bars freely, and contributed to the Parnell fund and their own stomachs at one and the same time. The literary exercises began at 3 o'clock, and at this time about 2,000 persons had assembled in the large upper hall of the Colisseum. The music-stand at the south end of the hall was appropriated for the speakers' platform, and here, in the midst of the orators, sat Mrs. Parnell and Misses Annie and Fanny Parnell, the mother and sisters of the famous Irish agitator. Their appearance was greeted with a round of applause and cheers which was heard at the Almshouse across the river, and answered by the waving of handkerchiefs by some of the unfortunate inmates of that institution. When quiet had been restored and the audience had packed themselves as closely as possible, Patrick Jones, President of the Convention of Irish Societies, opened the exercises by nominating the Rev. Father Larkin, Pastor of the Church of the Holy Innocents, for Chairman of the meeting. Father Larkin, upon taking the chair, said the old custom of wearing the green was forbidden on St. Patrick's Day, but it lived in the hearts of those present sentiments of patriotism and religion. "The struggle for Ireland," he said, "is still going on, and new life had been infused into it by the redoubtable Parnell. [Cheers.] We are here to-day to pledge ourselves to sustain him to the last."

The Rev. Edward McGlynn, Pastor of St. Stephen's Church, was the next speaker. Neither he nor those who followed him paid any particular attention to St. Patrick, but all devoted themselves to the political struggle between Ireland and England and the further aid to be given to the former country. Father McGlynn said this desire for the independence of Ireland had grown with his growth and strength. The primary object of the gathering was to speak a word of sympathy and to do an effective act of sympathy for suffering Ireland, and to see if something could not be done to prevent the oft-recurring famines in that country. No time must be lost and no pains spared to secure proper and immediate relief, but at the same time it was well to ask what was the cause of this constant sending around of the hat throughout the nations of the world to beg for Ireland. At the first glance, this state of things seemed to reflect little credit on the Irish race, but the responsibility might well be shifted to the shoulders of the cynical, supercilious landlords of Ireland, who have made serfs of their Irish tenantry. The great difference between the peasantry of Ireland and that of England, said the speaker, is that the latter owned their land, and belonged to their masters, while the former own themselves, but the landlords own the land, and their tenants are practically at their mercy. The horrid system of feudalism has been allowed to grow and flourish in Ireland, but it has been stamped out of all other civilized lands. It is this ownership of a whole country by a handful of people that has caused all the troubles in Ireland. It is the duty of the State, first of all, to see that its people do not die of starvation, and if the Land law creators of Ireland is the duty of the State to reform that law. "If it does not," said the speaker, "sooner or later, in the providence of God, a thunderbolt will fall to crush the nation that starves its people."

Ex-Senator Ecklesine, after a brief reference to the suffering in Ireland, turned his attention to the work of Charles Stewart Parnell, at whose name the audience burst forth in a long yell of applause. "It shall be his province," said the speaker, "to complete the Irish trinity, St. Patrick, who gave Ireland the faith; O'Connell, who gave her Catholic emancipation, and Parnell, who, in the Providence of God, shall give to the Irish the land they love so well. To-day will be presented to England a proposition for a constitutional and peaceful solution of this question. Should she turn a deaf ear to the lessons of wisdom, and refuse again to grant the rights which Ireland demands, she will be but putting off the evil day, and adding something to the long account that must, some day or other, be settled. [Cheers.] When Ireland next demands her rights, should they be refused now, it shall be at the head of an army, to the inspiring music of the drum tap, and with the morning sun glistening on Irish bayonets. England has driven Irishmen from Ireland, but they may yet return to vanish her. She has built up around her a wall of hatred, and from the seeds of hatred men do not pick the fruit of love. I do not advocate the useless shedding of one drop of Irish blood. We can watch and wait, and when France and Germany and Russia shall be angered against her, the time will come when another Fontenoy will be won by an Irish brigade, and the power of England will be overturned for all time."

Stephen J. Meany followed in a brief speech, eulogistic of Parnell, and the meeting then broke up. The Hibernians and their friends remained in the Colisseum until dark, engaged in social amusements.

THE FRIENDLY SONS.

The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick met last evening at Delmonico's, for the installation of officers. Chief-Justice Charles P. Daly, presided, and a very large number of members attended. The society some time ago expressed a decided opinion as to the propriety of abandoning the usual annual banquet, in view of the deplorable condition of affairs in Ireland, and the usual festive gathering was therefore dispensed with by unanimous vote. While thus abandoning the dinner, the society raised $500 in voluntary contributions by its members, which the Treasurer was yesterday authorized to forward to the Mansion House Relief Committee in Dublin. Upon motion of Mr. Robert Sewell, seconded by Mr. John Sherwin, the society amended its constitution, by establishing life membership at the rate of $100 per capita. These amounts, when paid, are to go into a general fund, the interest of which is to be devoted to charitable work in this City. The new officers were installed as follows: President—Chief-Justice Charles P. Daly; First Vice-President—John Savage; Second Vice-President—Robert Sewell; Treasurer—William Whiteside; Secretary—Eugene V. Murtha; Almoner—Eugene Kelly; and Physician—P. Ford, M. D. After the installation the members sat down to a quiet private dinner in one of the parlors. Judge Daly presided, and there were many prominent members present. There was, however, no speech-making.

ENTERTAINMENTS IN THE THEATRES.

The entertainments given at the various theatres in the afternoon were, with one exception, thinly attended, although all of the managers expected full houses. At Wallack's Theatre, as many as 6,000 benefit tickets were printed, it being intended that these tickets, as is usual in the case of benefits, should be sold to friends of the beneficiaries at 50 cents to $1 each, who might or might not attend, the buyers of the tickets having the privilege of exchanging them on the payment of an additional sum of money for tickets entitling them to seats. It was believed by Mr. Moss that the scalpers would dispose of a large number of the benefit tickets. As it turned out, only two of the 6,000 tickets went sold. There was no change in the bills of the theatres, and no additional street at the Standard, where an original poem by Miss Fanny Matthews was recited by Mr. George W. Howard, and the schoolroom scene from the "Shaughraun" in "Rip Van Winkle" was given for the first time at the theatre. The matinée at the Grand Opera House was a success, the house being a good one. Following is a list of the receipts at the different theatres:

Grand Opera-house	$600 50	Madison-Square	$149 00
Theatre Comique	90 00	Harry Minor's	128 50
Wallack's	501 50	Standard	110 00
Union Square	120 50	San Francisco Min.	
Olympic	218 00	stock	66 50
Daly's	155 00		

These were large grand concerts given at the Madison-Square Garden during the day and evening, under the direction of Mr. P. S. Gilmore. There was only a moderate attendance at each of the entertainments, and Mr. Gilmore was very disappointed. Mr. Gilmore stated to THE TIMES reporter that he would have liked this to give the entire proceeds of the receipts until Friday. At the morning concert there were about 1,000 persons, and in the afternoon about 1,400. In the evening there was plenty of room to spare. The popular Irish melodies of the day by one of the finest bands in the country were greatly applauded, and the performances of Miss Cole, the young violinist, were very fine. The receipts at the Garden were $650. The receipts of the evening would probably reach this amount to about $2,000.

UNITARIANS IN CONFERENCE.

SATISFACTORY REPORTS OF THE CONDITION AND WORK OF THE CHURCHES.

Meetings of the Unitarian Conference were held yesterday and last evening in the Church of the Messiah, at Thirty-fourth-street and Park-avenue. Delegates from the New-York, Brooklyn, Harlem, Newburg, Yonkers, and Poughkeepsie churches were in attendance. The Rev. Dr. Bellows, of All Souls' Church, presided, and the Rev. S. H. Camp, of Unity Chapel, Brooklyn, acted as Secretary. The preliminary devotional services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Shippen, Secretary of the American Unitarian Association. Dr. Bellows remarked, as introductory to the presentation of reports, that so much attention had been given to the question whether the Church of the Messiah was to rise or fall, as to interfere with the regularity of the Conference meetings. All things considered, they had reason to congratulate each other on the success which had crowned their efforts to bring forth the fruits of righteousness since the last gathering of the Church representatives. They might seem to have fallen short, were they to measure themselves with the "yard-sticks" of other denominations, but in some respects there was reason to hope that outside Churches might also fall short, if measured with the "yard-stick" of Unitarianism. It afforded him pleasure to say that, on the whole, the churches were in a much better condition than they had been for many years. The three churches in New-York and the three in Brooklyn were prospering. The Harlem Church, which for the past 10 years had given forth nothing but wails and moans, had at last obtained an excellent minister. Encouraging accounts had come from the church at Newburg.

Verbal reports from the delegates of the churches mentioned by Dr. Bellows verified the correctness of his statements. The Rev. H. D. Gatlin, Pastor of Unity Chapel, in Harlem, reported, among other facts, that the congregation had received encouraging additions, and that money had been raised to pay the Sinking Indebtedness. The Rev. Robert Collyer said that the results of his ministry thus far in the Church of the Messiah, were of a very pleasing character. The attendance on Sundays had been invariably good, and the members manifested a lively interest in the church work. The efficiency of the Sunday-school was gradually increasing under the Superintendence of lady members of the church. In conclusion Mr. Collyer said that although the church members generally had contributed liberally toward the payment of the debt, they were prepared to present $1,000 to the American Unitarian Association. The remaining time of the first meeting was devoted to a discussion concerning the approaching centennial celebration of the birth of Dr. Channing, the "Apostle of Unitarianism." The Rev. Alfred P. Putnam, Pastor of the Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn, said that the event would be celebrated in many churches at home and abroad. At 10 A. M. on Tuesday, April 6, there would be a memorial meeting in the Church of Our Saviour, at which it was expected that some of Dr. Channing's personal friends and ministers of other denominations would be present. That would be followed by an afternoon reunion in the chapel, and in the evening there would be a meeting in the Brooklyn Academy of Music, at which the Rev. Drs. Storrs, Ellis, and Collyer were expected to speak. Dr. Bellows expressed his regret that a previous engagement to assist at the anniversary celebration in Newport would prevent his absence from attending this commemoration in Brooklyn. Various plans for collecting the $10,000 needed to cover the expense of completing the Channing Memorial Church, in Newport, were discussed, and a collection of $1 from each delegate was taken up to aid the project. The Rev. Mr. Ames, editor of the *Christian Register*, delivered an address, in which he directed attention to the scarcity of Unitarian clergymen, and the necessity of educating young men for the ministry. It was to be regretted, he said, that the Church was obliged to engage converted Baptists, Presbyterians, and Methodists to carry her pulpits. After the close of the meeting the delegates lunched with Dr. and Mrs. Collyer.

The evening meeting was attended by a large congregation. Dr. Bellows and Mr. Collyer delivered brief addresses on the principles of Unitarianism, and the Rev. Mr. Shippen spoke on the necessity of extending the missionary work of the Church.

GREEN-WOOD CEMETERY.

THE RECORDS OF THE GREAT BURIAL GROUND FOR 1879.

The annual meeting of the lot-owners of Green-Wood Cemetery was held yesterday at No. 30 Broadway. The report of the Board of Trustees for 1879 was read. It contains the following information: Two hundred and thirty-one lots were sold, making a grand total of 23,076. There were 5,132 burials, making an aggregate of 199,747. Twenty lot-owners deposited the aggregate sum of $12,420 30 in trust for the care of lots, making the total thus held $61,736 33. The gross receipts amounted to $452,207 96. This included $6,136 48 balance on hand at the beginning of the year, trust funds received, and loans repaid, the last aggregating $261,056 25. The gross disbursements, including investments—which amounted $271,000—amounted to $446,908 28, leaving cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1879, $5,299 68. The general fund for the improvement and permanent care of the cemetery is now $565,201 31, an increase during the year of $13,479 15. The Trustees say in this connection: "At no expenditure of improvement other than these for the care and maintenance of the cemetery are anticipated in the near future, a large and steady increase of this fund may be annually expected." A large amount of work has been done in beautifying the cemetery, in laying out new paths, and in otherwise improving the grounds. The system of sewerage, comprising 17½ miles of pipes, 97 case-pools, and 1,165 ellipsoids, is now complete. Statistics of the number of animals and vermin destroyed in the cemetery for four years past give the following: Serious pests: Moles, 35 last year, against 43 in 1878, 584 in 1877, and 1,705 in 1876; ground-mice, 3,159 last year, against 7,186 in 1878; cats, 78 last year, against 97 in 1878, and 77 in 1877; dogs, 29 last year, against 35 in 1878, and 33 in 1877; skunks, 1 last year, against 2 in 1878, and 7 in 1877; muskrats, 2 last year, against 3 in 1878, and 4 in 1877; snakes, 64 last year, against 103 in 1878, and 66 in 1877; rats, 33 last year, against 121 in 1878. A fox was killed in the cemetery in 1878. During the past year 945 lots were inclosed, and 196 monuments and 489 head-stones were erected. The report says: "The interment in Green-Wood, in a private lot, of a favorite dog, elicited much comment, and was the occasion of many remonstrances, verbal and written, being addressed to the Trustees, requesting them to prohibit such interments in the future. The intensity of feeling exhibited in these communications, however differently the subject might be viewed by others, could not but be respected, and the board accordingly passed a resolution prohibiting hereafter all interments of brute animals in the cemetery." Messrs. Robert Ray and Pliny Freeman, of the Board of Trustees, died during the year. Mr. Freeman was one of the original board, but two of whom now survive. Messrs. Frederick H. Wolcott and James M. Brown were elected to fill the vacancies.

DEATH OF JOHN R. CECIL.

Mr. John R. Cecil, one of the oldest and best-known of Wall-street brokers, died, yesterday, at his residence, No. 15 West Fifty-second-street, in the sixtieth year of his age. He was born in Ohio, but came to this City when still a young man, and entered the jobbing dry goods business under the style of Amy, Butler & Cecil, afterward changed to Butler, Cecil & Dawson. He had previously studied law, but had never practiced. In 1864, he retired with a large fortune, but being unable to remain inactive, he soon engaged in business as a member of the banking firm of Lawrence Brothers & Co. In 1870, he joined in a partnership in the stock brokerage business, under the title of Cecil, Stout & Thayer. This firm was dissolved in 1876, and a new firm was formed under the style of John R. Cecil & Co., the members being Mr. Cecil and his son. In 1878 they failed; and Mr. Cecil had been an invalid ever since. He was at one time a Director of the Metropolitan Gas Company, the National Trust Company, and other institutions. He leaves a widow, two sons, and two daughters, one of the latter being the widow of Charles Hayes and the other the wife of Adolphe De Bary. His funeral will take place to-morrow from No. 15 West Fifty-second-street, at 10 o'clock A. M.

A LADY'S STRANGE VISITOR.

Mrs. Jeannet Geagen discovered an unknown man in her parlors, at No. 3 St. Luke's-place, yesterday noon, and summoned a policeman, who found the stranger making himself comfortable in an easy chair. No resistance was offered, and when produced in court the man, who had evidently been on a prolonged "spree," appeared dazed and stupid. He gave his name as James Butler, said he was a native of Ireland, and employed at Bellevue Hospital. Tuesday evening he got drunk, and could tell nothing of what had happened since. He said he did not know where he spent the night, or how he came in Mrs. Geagen's house. The evidence showed that he got there by climbing to the front balcony and forcing open a window. Nothing in the parlors was disturbed or taken. Justice Ottenburg committed Butler, to get time to investigate his story.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.

A sequel to the arrest of Charles A. Krause, of Bethlehem, Penn., and his wife, for shoplifting, at James McCreery & Co.'s, on Tuesday, was the recovery, yesterday, of the property stolen from the firm, which is valued at about $4,000. At the Jefferson Market Police Court, Mrs. Krause was discharged, and her husband was held in $1,500 to answer the complaint of A. W. Jenkins, Mr. McCreery & Co.'s Superintendent. Kruse testified that he had got about a year ago robbed McCreery & Co. Mrs. Krause volunteered to make some amends by restoring the property, which was in her millinery store in Bethlehem, and on Tuesday night Central Office Detectives Adams and Mallaher went there. Yesterday they returned with a trunk which contained 24 pieces of silk, valued at about $4,000. The silk was identified as the property of McCreery & Co.

ON TRIAL FOR CONSPIRACY.

ELIZABETH'S CONTROLLER AND ASSISTANT TREASURER BEFORE A JURY.

Ex-Judge Green, of counsel for City Controller Leggett and Assistant City Treasurer D. W. Leeds, of Elizabeth, N. J., who are on trial in Judge Van Syckel's court, in that city, on a charge of having conspired to defraud the city, opened the case for the defense yesterday. Counsel on his side had, he said, discussed the propriety of letting the case go to the jury without the interposition of a defense. Mr. Leggett had done everything in his power to maintain the city's credit. "We will show you," he continued, "that, on June 26, Mr. Leeds ascertained that bonds were for sale at Verzuilye & Co.'s office. He went there. He had money in his keeping belonging to Mr. La Hurley and to Mrs. Wheelwright, for the purpose of investing it. Mr. Leeds had no credit with that banking firm, and he borrowed a check for $2,400 from Mr. Leggett, who entered Verzuilye's office while Leeds was there. With this money he purchased $3,000 of Elizabeth City bonds at 80. Returning to Elizabeth, Mr. Leeds sold these bonds to Mr. Hartshorn, a clerk in Controller Leggett's office. Now gentlemen, I will tell you what Mr. Leeds is a young man. Mr. Leggett is advanced in years, and for this reason Mr. Leeds occasionally went to the bank and made deposits for Mr. Leggett. We do not deny that Mr. Leeds speculated with the bonds. He netted $600 from the speculation. He owed Mr. Leggett a balance due on a loan. He paid $300 to the parties for whose interest he had purchased the bonds, and then deposited $300 to Mr. Leggett's credit, on account of the money he owed that gentleman. When he returned, he told Mr. Leggett that he had placed the money to his credit at the bank, and Mr. Leggett gave him credit for the amount on the back of a memorandum check he had."

John Manvel, a clerk in the Controller's office, who was sworn yesterday, testified that he had, on Feb. 3 and July 23, 1878, that he had sold large amounts of bonds to a number of parties at 95 cents, 97 cents, and par and interest. But on cross-examination, it appeared that these were not sales strictly speaking, but had been made by the city's agent in the form of an equal payment of the moneys due them.

The object of this testimony was to rebut that offered for the State Tuesday, that the market value of the bonds in June, 1878, was only about 60. The market value also was not a short saving needle. The case on both sides for two reasons—first, because the city charter provides that bonds shall not be purchased for the sinking fund for more than their market value, and secondly, as going to the question of Mr. Leggett's good faith in paying par for those he purchased.

E. G. Brown, who in 1878 was a member of the City Sinking Fund Commission, testified that Elizabeth City bonds were purchased for the sinking fund in 1877 and 1878 at par and interest. Mr. Brown, in reply to further questions, said that the Sinking Fund Board had fixed the price at which bonds could be purchased at par and interest. He further said that at the same meeting at which the board authorized the purchase of city bonds, it was decided that the price should be at 98. Mr. Leggett at each meeting of the board reported all the sales and purchases made by him.

"Did he ever report that he had loaned Mr. Leeds $2,400 to purchase three bonds with?" asked Mr. Fay on cross-examination. "No, sir, I did not know that Leggett loaned the money to purchase three bonds from Leeds, for the sinking fund, at an advance of $600 on the amount Leeds had paid for them!" "Not to my recollection," answered the witness, "and I think I would have recollected such a report."

Charles R. Wiese, another member of the Sinking Fund Commissioners in 1878, testified that by resolution the Commission had directed the Controller to sell bonds at 98 for cash, and to give them at par and interest to the city's creditors. The difference was to enable those who bought the bonds to sell again to realize a profit from the sale. The commission early in 1879 authorized the Controller to purchase bonds at par and interest.

The court then adjourned until to-day.

POLICE BOARD MATTERS.

READY TO ASSIST MR. CROSBY'S SOCIETY—APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS.

The Board of Police met yesterday in Mr. Wheeler's apartment at the Gilsey House. Reporters were informed that they would not be permitted to attend the meeting. Last night, Deputy Clerk Kipp came to Police Head-quarters and gave a synopsis of the proceedings. From this source and others, information of what occurred was obtained, but there were comments made by Mr. Voorhis on the action of his colleagues and replies thereto which were not obtainable. A letter was submitted by Chief Clerk Rawley in answer to a resolution of the Assembly asking for information relative to the transactions of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, with a view to a full understanding of what additional legislation, if any, may be required in the interests of the society itself, and of a proper consideration for public morality in the City of New-York. Mr. Rawley says:

"The society, through its officers or accredited agents, has, upon several occasions, called upon this department for Police assistance in the execution of warrants issued by Police magistrates against the proprietors and attaches of alleged gambling or disreputable houses, and also in numerous cases for the arrest of violators of the laws relating to Excise and the sale of lottery tickets or policy tickets or policy slips, and such Police aid required has at all times been furnished upon the production of a warrant, or upon the statement and allegations made to this department by the society was sufficiently definite and reliable to warrant Police action. The result of these arrests, made by this department at the instigation of the society, has been in many cases a discharge of the parties arrested, or of their being placed on bail for their appearance after examination, and in other cases the parties have been fined, as also, in a few cases, a sentence of imprisonment has been imposed. In conclusion, I am directed to inform you that this department has been, and is, ready to cooperate with or assist in any measure put forward for the suppression of crime, and to aid the efforts of all well-disposed citizens in that direction, when such efforts are conducted solely for the purpose of preventing violations of the laws and for their proper enforcement."

The letter was approved.

Mr. Voorhis offered a preamble and resolutions in regard to the recent action of Capt. Byrnes, who hired a room at No. 17 Wall-street for a sub-detective office. The preamble recites that section 49 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1873, gives the board the power, with the consent of the Mayor and Common Council to establish and furnish stations and sub-stations of Police, and that the Board of Police has not authorized the establishment of the sub-detective bureau. The resolutions call on Capt. Byrnes to say by what authority he announced the opening of the sub-detective bureau to the public, and to report what arrangements he has made in the premises. Mr. Nichols offered a resolution that Capt. Byrnes's action be approved, but as the board was not possessed of any report on the subject, both resolutions were referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline. The board then adopted a resolution requesting the Board of Apportionment to transfer enough money to enable it to have rooms at No. 17 Wall-street, for the detectives, at an annual rental of $325.

There was much miscellaneous business transacted. Nine patrolmen were appointed, and the resignations of four patrolmen were accepted. Patrolman Tiesing, of the Fifteenth Precinct, was dismissed the force for intoxication. The complaint against Patrolman Penfeldt, of the Street-cleaning Bureau, which accuses him of black-mailing Italians employed as street-sweepers, was referred to the Street-cleaning Committee. A request from Capt. Gaslin, of the Steam-boat Squad, to have telegraphic communication established between his office at Police Head-quarters and the East and North Rivers was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline. Controller Kelly sent to the board for action a bill for $1,885 for expenses incurred by Capt. Williams in defending himself on the charges preferred by Messrs. Whitehurch and Smith. The Corporation Counsel was requested to inform the board if it would be legal to pay the bill if there were funds available for the purpose. *Acting Sergt. Bernard McEvoy, of the Seventeenth* Precinct, was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on the proposition of Mr. Wheeler. Permission was given to Roundsman John Delaney, of the Twenty-first Precinct, to accept a medal from D. Walzinger for saving his grandson from drowning. Honorable mention was made of Roundsman Farley, of the Thirteenth Precinct, for saving William Benfield from drowning; and of Officer Dreon of the Mounted Squad, for having, at great personal risk, stopped a runaway horse.

TWO MILLIONS OF BONDS PURCHASED.

Sub-Treasurer Hillhouse received yesterday offers from 26 sources of bonds, aggregating $11,307,350, for the sinking fund. Secretary Sherman ordered the purchase of $2,000,000, to be selected from the lowest offers. The following were accepted:

E. Sneed & Co.—$6,000 sixes of 1881 at 108⅝.

Drexel, Morgan & Co.—$284,500 fives of 1881 at 103 1-16 to 103¼.

Nat. & Hatch—$1,000,000 sixes of 1881 at 105.44, and $55,000 fives of 1881 at 103.18.

Metropolitan National Bank—$10,000 sixes of 1881 at 105.44.

Hatch & Foote—$291,000 sixes of 1881 at 105.43, and $300,000 fives of 1881 at 103.18.

Vermilye & Co.—$27,500 fives of 1881 at 103.13.

CHASTISING A DISCARDED LOVER.

A young woman who rode in a New-Jersey Central Railroad train on Tuesday afternoon created considerable excitement for a time by an assault upon a young man who was riding in the same car with her. As the train neared Greenville she changed her seat, taking one directly behind that in which the young gentleman sat. Then, having drawn her veil over her face, she leaned forward and seized him by the neck with both her hands. The passengers interfered, and when the train reached Greenville was quiet. The young man told the police officer who gave her name as Mary Stilwell. She said she had been engaged to his victim of her assault, but had afterward broken the engagement, and he had since talked slanderously of her. No one appeared against her, and she was discharged.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

NEW-YORK.

Sixty-four more destitute Hungarians from the Scotch districts were landed at Castle Garden yesterday.

Dr. J. P. Newman will lecture this evening, in Chickering Hall, under the auspices of the Young Men's Hebrew Association.

An assignment for the benefit of creditors, by A. V. Blandford, to William S. Kelley, was filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday.

On Saturday evening Dr. Berait will lecture on "Hamlet," with recitations from the play, in Steck Hall, East Fourteenth-street.

The members of the Cotton Exchange voted yesterday to observe Good Friday and Holy Saturday, March 26 and 27, as holidays.

The Rev. Joseph Cook will deliver a lecture, Saturday evening, in the Broadway Tabernacle, in aid of the charity fund of the Sunday-school.

Yesterday Mrs. Virginia E. Hoffman, widow of Ogden Hoffman, reported to Chief Detective Byrnes that she had been robbed in a street car of a valuable watch and chain.

Mr. Morris B. Baer, of 72 West Thirty-fourth-street, writes to THE TIMES to say he is not the Morris Baer whose assignment for the benefit of creditors was recently reported.

The man found drowned on Monday off Governor's Island was Joseph Tomlinson, a porter, who had been missing since the 20th of January. His wife and child left for England a week ago.

The Fire Commissioners have decided to locate a hook and ladder company, equipped with a truck and chemical engine, in a new house at Ogden-avenue, near Wolf-street, formerly known as High-bridgeville.

"China and the Chinese" will be the subject of a lecture to be delivered by Mr. Gifford P. Parker, in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, this evening. The entire proceeds are to be devoted to the Irish famine relief fund.

John Gulbaria, of No. 65 Sullivan-street; Christian Reinse, of No. 93 Varick-street, and Franklin J. Minaka, of No. 450 Ninth-avenue, were yesterday held to bail in $300 each for violating the Sanitary Code in selling adulterated milk.

A vagrant named James Flanagan complained of cramps in the stomach at the St. Vincent's Hospital, on Tuesday. A surgeon examined him and found in his abdomen a steel sewing-needle. Flanagan could not tell how it got there, but admitted that he had been helplessly intoxicated.

The Spanish war-ram Sanchez Barcaiztegi arrived at this port from Havana yesterday, and came to anchor in the North River off the foot of Twenty-third-street. She made the passage in seven days. She mounts three heavy guns, carries a crew of 159 officers and seamen, and is commanded by Capt. Marqueo.

Capt. Young, of the Anchor Line steam-ship Devonia, which arrived from Glasgow yesterday, reports a stormy passage of 12 days after leaving Moville. A succession of heavy westerly gales followed one another, and the seas were very high and uneven. Frequently during the passage the decks were swept. The storms continued until the Banks were reached.

The Twelfth Regiment will be reviewed by Gen. Thomas L. Crittenden, United States Army, and staff, and the officers of the Swedish corvette now in this port, at Madison Square Garden this evening. The regiment will give an exhibition of its proficiency in battalion movements, and Company K will illustrate the skirmish drill. The entertainment will close with a concert and hop.

A report was current yesterday to the effect that Mr. William H. Vanderbilt had recently purchased 1,500 acres of land at Oakdale, Long Island, with a view to establishing a magnificent farm and stock-yard on it. Messrs. W. H. Vanderbilt and W. K. Vanderbilt both informed a TIMES reporter last night that they had not made any such purchase, and knew nothing of such an enterprise.

The second trial of Mme. Bertha Berger, indicted for fatal malpractice on the person of Cora Hammis, has been finally set down for Monday next in the General Sessions Court. It is probable that the accused will plead guilty and thereby receive a lighter penalty than that imposed upon her after conviction on the former trial. The sentence was 12 years in the Penitentiary, one year of which she has served.

William H. Hale, the Wall-street broker, who, on Monday morning, escaped from the House of Detention, where he had been committed, in default of $300 bail, to secure his appearance as complainant against Maggie Mitchell, a colored woman, whose arrest he had caused on a charge of stealing $4 from him, appeared before the Grand Jury yesterday. After investigating the case, the complaint against the woman was dismissed.

Mrs. Anna Randall Diehl, of No. 35 Union-square, appeared in the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday as complainant against Charles Headland, a boy 16 years of age, who was employed in her office. Mrs. Diehl had suspected him of committing small thefts, and finally detected him in mailing three copies of her *Quarterly* to subscribers, he having received the money for the same and made no return to her. The boy was held for trial at the Special Sessions.

The Park Commissioners granted permission yesterday to an Electric-light Company to illuminate the hand and arm of the Bartholdi statue of liberty, in Madison-square. The superintending architect was instructed to report at the next meeting of the board what work is requisite in Tompkins-square, the Legislature having appropriated $20,000 for its improvement. The President was instructed to make a formal transfer of the Metropolitan Museum of Art to the Trustees of the institution, which will be opened to the public April 30.

The wheat markets were ½ to 1 cent lower yesterday, with only a moderate activity. The speculative demand was mostly for No. 2 red. Further purchases of considerable magnitude were reported at the interior markets for shipment abroad, at rates which were relatively much cheaper than the wheat could be obtained here. Corn was generally a shade lower. Oats were steadier, with fairer inquiry, chiefly from the trade. Provisions were lower and dull. Freights were quiet. The visible supply of wheat indicates a further reduction of about 800,000 bushels during the week.

In the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday, Mrs. Sophia Faber, of No. 95 Pitt-street, was charged with black-mailing Mr. Charles Kohlman, a dry-goods merchant, whose place of business is in Church-street, and who resides at No. 263 East Twenty-eighth-street. It appeared that the prisoner had written letters to the complainant, Kohlman, calling upon him as the father of her yet unborn child, for the expenses of its birth and future support, and containing threats of ruin to him in case he failed to furnish the amounts demanded. Justice Wandell felt himself reluctantly compelled to hold the woman in default of $500 bail on the ground that she was technically guilty of violating the law covering the offense of black-mail.

BROOKLYN.

The office of Milk Inspector has been created by the Board of Health. The new officer when appointed, is to receive a salary of $75 a month.

Samuel Lawrence, of No. 898 Myrtle-avenue, aged 40 years, was found dead in a vacant lot, corner of Rutledge-street and Harrison-avenue, yesterday morning. He left his home early in the morning to look for work. Death is supposed to have resulted from disease of the heart.

The Long Island College Hospital authorities have resolved not to receive in future American sailors who may have been injured on their vessels along the water front, unless a guarantee is given by the Captain or owner of the vessel that the patient's board will be paid. Ambulance Surgeon Plympton has laid the matter before the Board of Health, and the latter has applied to the Regents of the hospital for fuller information on the subject.

The Executive Committee of the Kings County *Republican General Committee met last evening* and elected Charles Hobbs, of the Twenty-fourth Ward, Chairman. The opposing candidate, Gen. William De Lacy, received but eight votes. Hobbs is a Sherman man, and his election is said to be due to a judicious distribution of the patronage attaching to the weighing contract recently received by ex-Sheriff Doggett from the Secretary of the Treasury.

The case of K. F. Williams, the Greenpoint bank President, charged with sending obscene matter through the mails, was continued yesterday before Commissioner Allen in the United States Building. The testimony was confined to the examination and cross-examination of a number of witnesses who have known Mr. Williams for periods ranging from 5 to 30 years, who know his character to be good, and who do not believe the handwriting in the letter complained of to be the defendant's.

At an early hour yesterday morning an officer of the Ninth Precinct arrested two young men who were acting in a suspicious manner in Macdonough-street, near Lewis-avenue. The prisoners gave their names as Charles Tice and Frederick Abell. On the former was found a pocket-book and some other property, which proved to be part of the proceeds of a robbery committed at the house of R. P. Schenck, No. 260 Keap-street, on the 7th inst. A number of burglaries have recently been committed in the Ninth Precinct, and the Police believe that Tice and Abell had part in all of them. The prisoners were held for examination.

STATEN ISLAND.

Capt. Jacob Britton, a Sandy Hook pilot, died suddenly early yesterday morning in his house, at Stapleton, of heart disease. Capt. Britton, who was 61 years old, belonged to the pilot-boat Christiansbergh No. 15, and was one of the oldest pilots in commission. He appeared in his usual health on Tuesday. The colors on the pilot-boats were displayed at half-mast yesterday as a token of respect for his memory.

The date for execution of the sentence of death passed upon Edward Reichert, convicted last January of manslaughter in the first degree, at Stapleton, Staten Island, was fixed for the 9d of April next. The Gen-eral Term of the Supreme Court of the Second District, having reversed the judgment of the lower court, for the purpose of allowing the case to be heard in the Court of Appeals, Judge Donohue yesterday granted a stay of proceedings. The stay Reinhardt at least six months more to live, as the case will not be argued before the Court of Appeals until June.

LONG ISLAND.

It is reported that the murderer of John Graham, the shoe-maker, of Little Neck, who was found dead in his shop on the morning of Feb. 5, 1873, has been discovered in the person of a convict now in the Massachusetts State Prison, serving a term of 20 years. Graham was first brutally murdered and then robbed. Queens County officers made vigorous efforts to discover the assassin, but to no purpose.

NEW-JERSEY.

Mayor Bennett, of Elizabeth, has nominated ex-Street Commissioner William Townley for City Controller, vice Thomas B. Leggett.

Jacob Krause, a scissors-grinder, living on Coles-street, was struck by a Pennsylvania Railroad train in Jersey City, yesterday afternoon, and killed.

Commissioner Railton, one of the English evangelists of the "Salvation Army," was in Newark yesterday, making arrangements for a contemplated revival there.

The City Council of Elizabeth has fixed the annual tax levy as follows: Schools, $36,000; streets and highways, $8,000; Fire Department, $4,500; Police, $36,000; poor, $13,500; bridges and gas, $12,500; Board of Health, $2,700; public grounds, $3,500; contingencies, $10,000; salaries, $11,000; water and hydrants, $5,000; Legislative sewer bonds, $1,500; to pay judgment of Linnie Doe, $11,000, and judgment of Ernestine Haile, $2,600.

Yesterday afternoon some one placed on the west-bound rails of the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Linden, a number of heavy bolts and nuts. The purpose was, apparently, to wreck the first train that afterward sped over the track. The engineer of the east-bound Washington train discovered the obstructions, and they were removed before damage had been done. Later in the day Chief of Police Weed, who is in charge of the steamps at Rahway, had been reinforced, captured a party of six tramps in the woods near Linden, and locked them up on suspicion of being the guilty parties.

A little girl 5 years old, holding a 10-months-old baby in her arms, was found crying in Madison-street, Newark, Tuesday afternoon. In raised hand, and both the children were drenched. The little girl said she was Mary Robertson, and the babe was her brother. Her father had been in jail, and during his imprisonment her mother had received visits from strange men. When her father was released, he took Mary from her mother and placed her in the care of a woman on Market-street. A day or two later, her mother called there and left the baby. Both promised to be back in few days for the children. They had not kept their promise, and the woman in whose care they had been left had turned them homeless and hungry and half-clad into the street. They were sent to the Alms-house yesterday.

DEATH OF LEWIS THOMAS.

The flag of the Produce Exchange was at half-mast yesterday, out of respect to the mem